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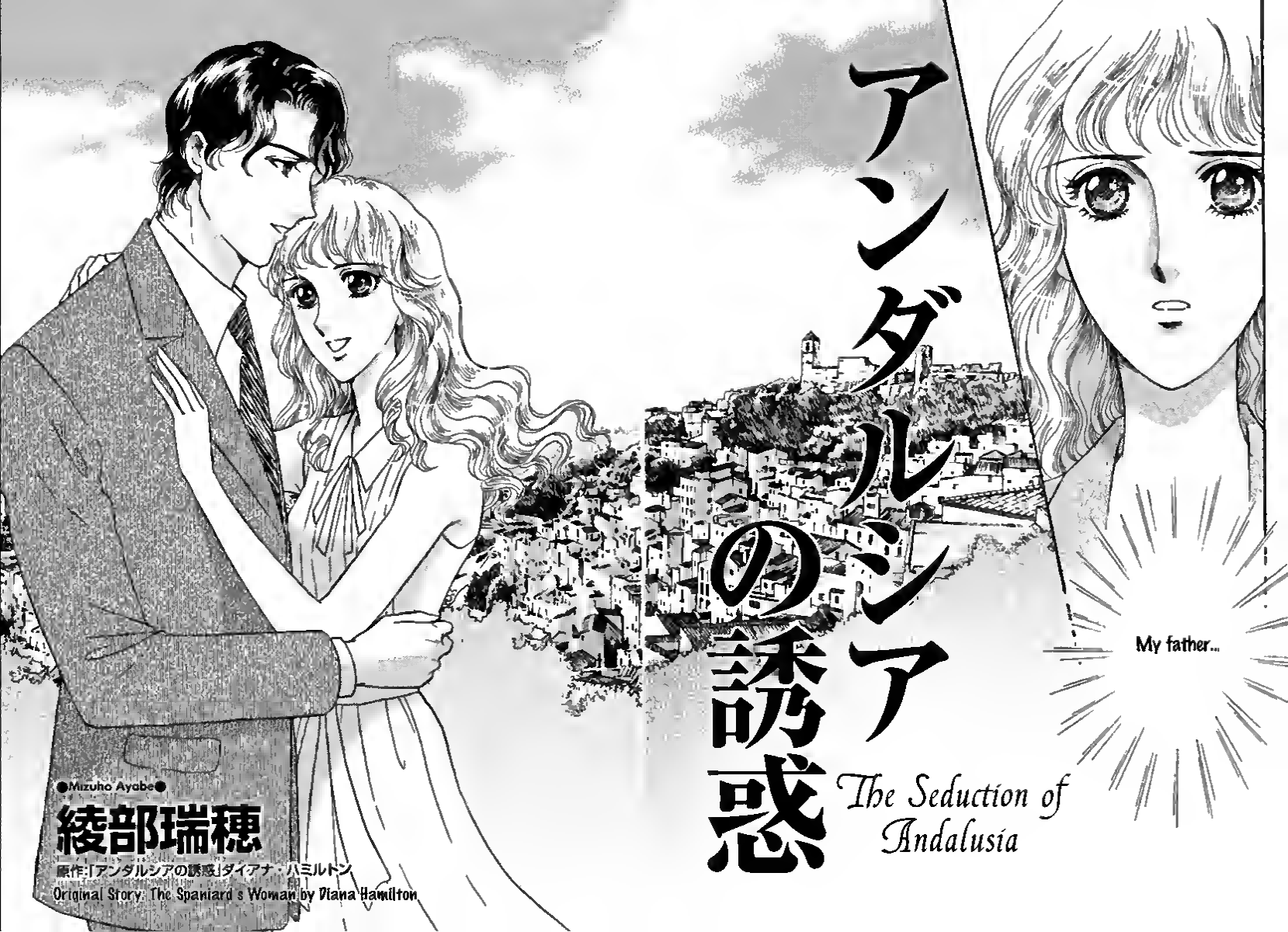
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The Seduction of Andalusia
My father...
●Mizuho Ayabe●
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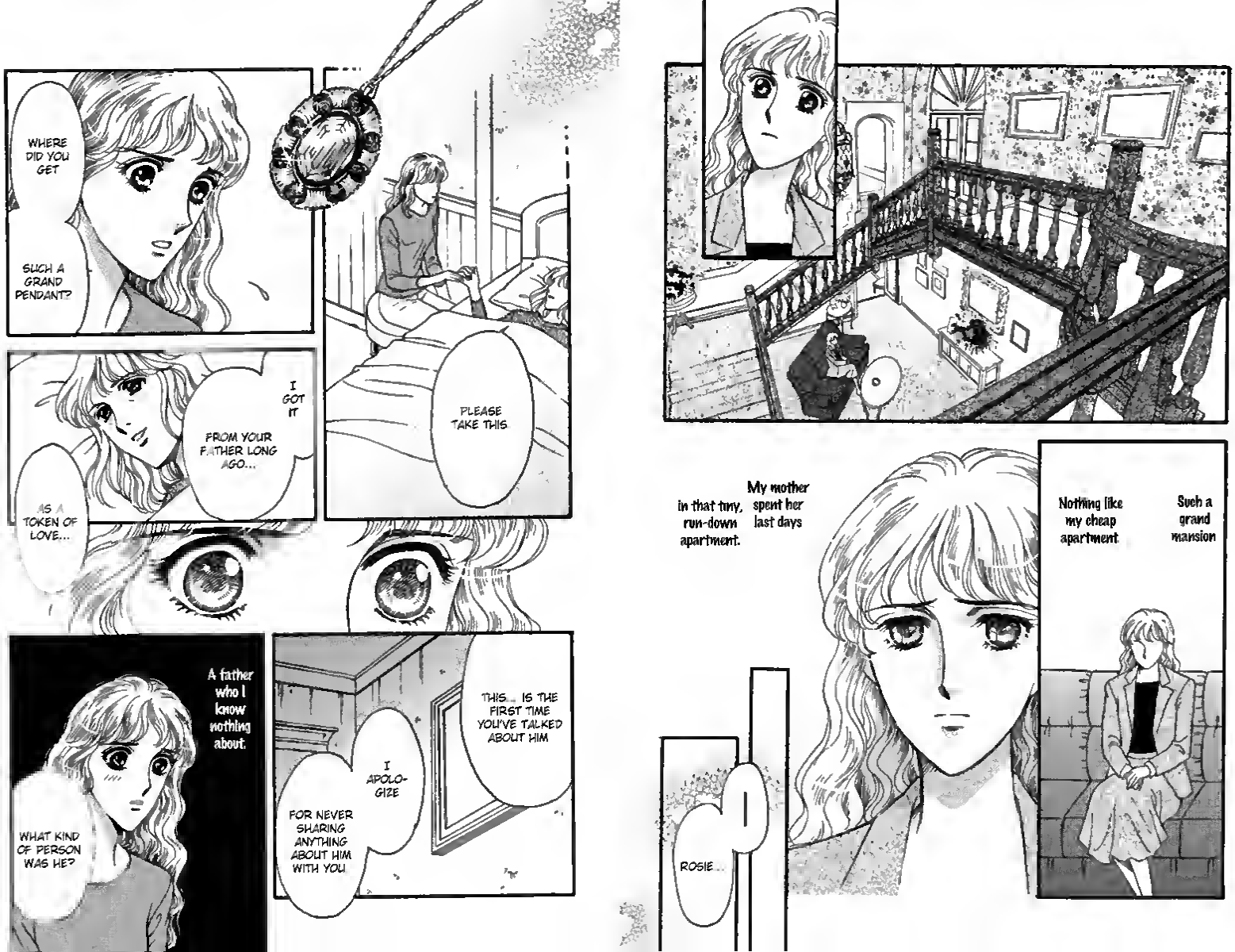
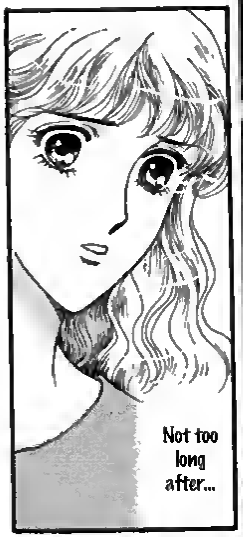
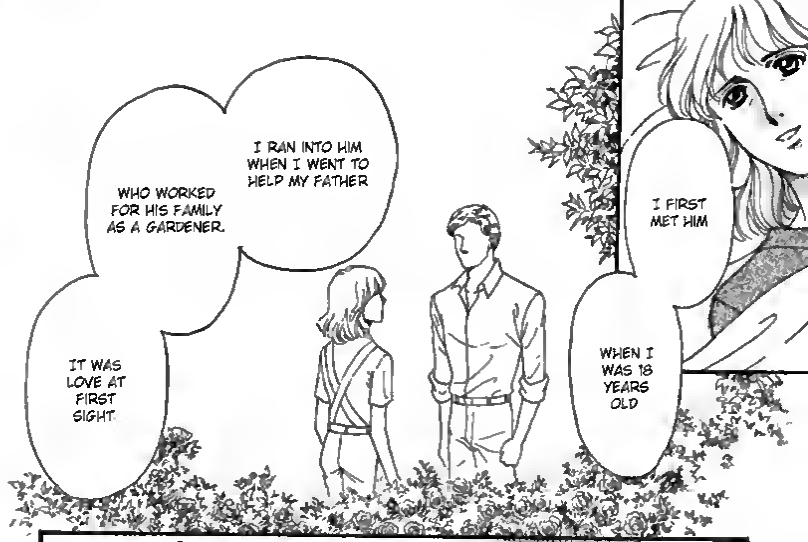
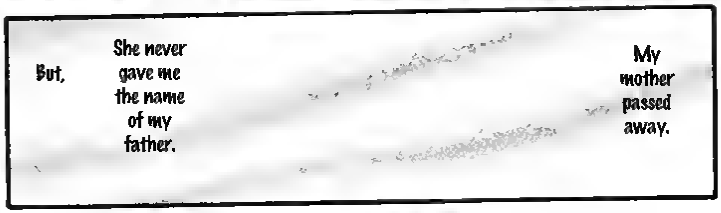
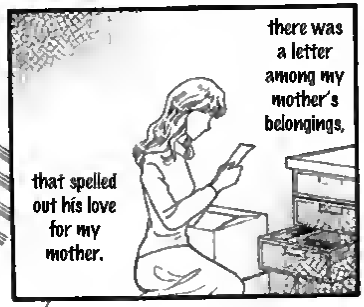

WHERE DID YOU GET
SUCH A GRAND PENDANT?
I GOT IT
FROM YOUR FATHER LONG AGO...
IS A TOKEN OF LOVE...
PLEASE TAKE THIS
A father who I know nothing about.
WHAT KIND OF PERSON WAS HE?
THIS... IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE TALKED ABOUT HIM
I APOLO-GIZE
FOR NEVER SHARING ANYTHING ABOUT HIM WITH YOU
My mother spent her last days in that tiny, run-down apartment.
Nothing like my cheap apartment
Such a grand mansion
I
ROSIE...




I FIRST MET HIM
WHEN I WAS 18 YEARS OLD
I RAN INTO HIM WHEN I WENT TO HELP MY FATHER
WHO WORKED FOR HIS FAMILY AS A GARDENER.
IT WAS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

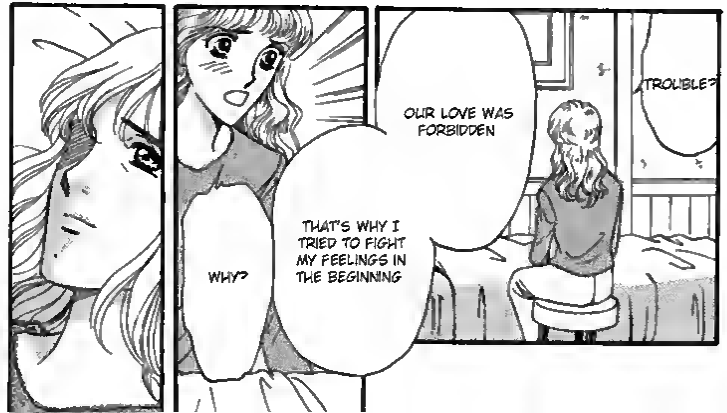




"With all my love,

Marcus Troune"

Marcus Troune



HE SHOULD BE BACK BY THE END OF NEXT MONTH.
SIR MARCUS HAS BEEN FEELING SICK SO HE IS RESTING.
HE IS CURRENTLY IN SPAIN.
I'M SARAH HODGES.
I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU.
WE HAVE TO HAVE THE MANSION CLEANED BY THEN,
SO I'LL BE RELYING ON YOUR HELP.
So he's not here.
Oh.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF PERSON
THE MASTER IS?
YUP.
NICE TO MEET YOU
ARE YOU FROM THIS VILLAGE, SHARON?

ARE YOU ROSIE LAMBERT?
Oh
I AM MARGE BARTRIDGE,
AND I MANAGE THIS MANOR.
AH,
YES

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF REPAINTING AROUND THE MANSION.
YOUR JOB WILL BE TO CLEAN THE PAINT THAT HAS FALLEN ON THE FLOOR.
IT'S A PRETTY STRENUOUS JOB BUT CAN YOU DO IT?
YES.
UMM...
THE MASTER...
WHERE IS SIR MARCUS?

I wanted him to embrace her feelings.
I was going to tell my father that when I met him.
My mother loved you until the day she died.
What did I come here for?
He has lost his feelings for my mother long ago.
But I guess it doesn't matter if I did that.
I shouldn't have come here.
TAP
Maybe
she was just a pastime for him.
THAT'S WHY THEY'RE RE-MODELING THE MANSION.
REMAR-RIED...?
I HEAR THE WOMAN IS QUITE YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL.
A BIT INDECENT, DON'T YOU THINK?
WELL, HE'S FAMOUS AROUND HERE
I HEARD THAT HE LOST HIS WIFE TWO YEARS AGO
BUT HE'S GETTING REMARRIED SOON
RIIING
CLOSE
I'M SORRY.
CAN I GET THIS CALL?
YEAH

Gray eyes,
UH, YES
I'M ROSIE LAMBERT
WHO ARE YOU?
Long eye-lashes, dark hair
MY NAME'S SEBASTIAN GARCIA
I can't keep my eyes off of him.
I'M HERE TO MAKE SURE THE REMODELING GOES AS PLANNED
ARE YOU PART OF THE TEMPORARY CLEANING STAFF?

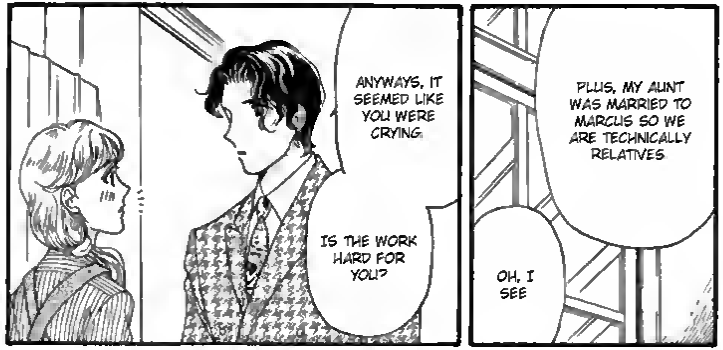
I'M SORRY TO HEAR THAT.
I APOLOGIZE FOR GETTING YOU WORRIED.
AND
SHE JUST PASSED AWAY TWO MONTHS AGO,
YOUR MOTHER?
NO, IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT
UMM... I WAS JUST REMEMBERING MY MOTHER

NO WORRIES...
I HOPE YOU FEEL BETTER

I AM MARCUS' BUSINESS PARTNER.
WE OPERATE A COMPANY IN LONDON CALLED TROUNE & GARCIA.

My goodness.
What am I thinking?
ARE YOU PART OF THE MANOR STAFF TOO?
NO.

I TOOK OVER WHEN HE GOT SICK.
WOW, AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE.
I'M SORRY FOR BEING SO RUDE!


ANYWAYS, IT SEEMED LIKE YOU WERE CRYING.
IS THE WORK HARD FOR YOU?
PLUS, MY AUNT WAS MARRIED TO MARCUS SO WE ARE TECHNICALLY RELATIVES.
OH, I SEE

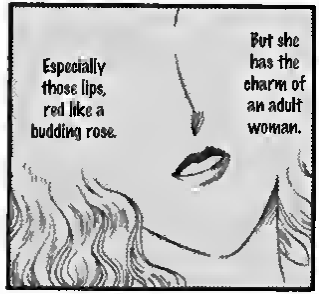
I AGREE.
SUCH A FINE MAN.
The cheek he touched is still hot.
PLUS, IT'S VERY SEXY.
SPANIARDS ALWAYS SEEM SO PASSIONATE.
DON'T YOU THINK?
My heart is thumping.
It's my first time meeting him.
There's something wrong with me.

SORRY, ROSIE
I WAS ON THE PHONE FOR SO LONG.
OH...
UH, YES.
WELL, GOOD LUCK
ISN'T HE THE MASTER'S NEPHEW-IN-LAW?
I HEARD HE'S A SPANIARD, BORN IN ANDALUSIA
Oh yeah, he does have a slight Spanish accent.

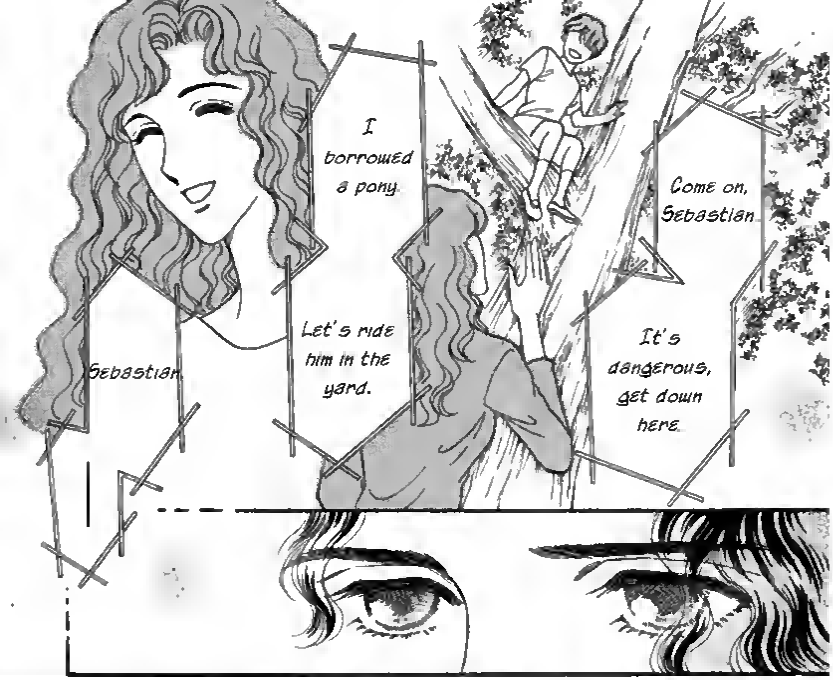
They
make me want to stroke them on impulse.
WE ARE JUST REPAINTING FOR NOW.
UNTIL THE NEW MISTRESS GETS HERE AND DECIDES
FULL SCALE REMODELING WILL NOT TAKE PLACE
Wha.. What am I thinking?
COUGH
HOW MUCH ARE WE GOING TO REMODEL?

OH, ROSIE?
HOW DO I SAY THIS,
SHE'S SEEMS VERY DELICATE
YES

BUT SHE SEEMS A BIT CHILDISH AND UNRELIABLE
I GUESS SHE'S TURNING 20 THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW
BUT I DIDN'T HAVE ANY OTHER APPLICANTS.
I KNOW. I WAS A BIT WORRIED THAT THE WORK MIGHT BE TOO HARD ON HER


Especially those lips, red like a budding rose.
But she has the charm of an adult woman.

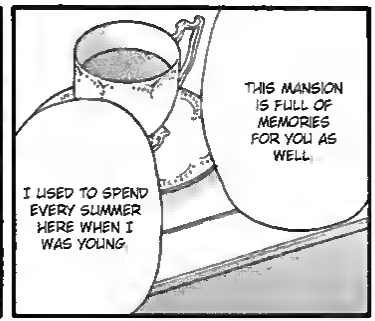
I AGREE.



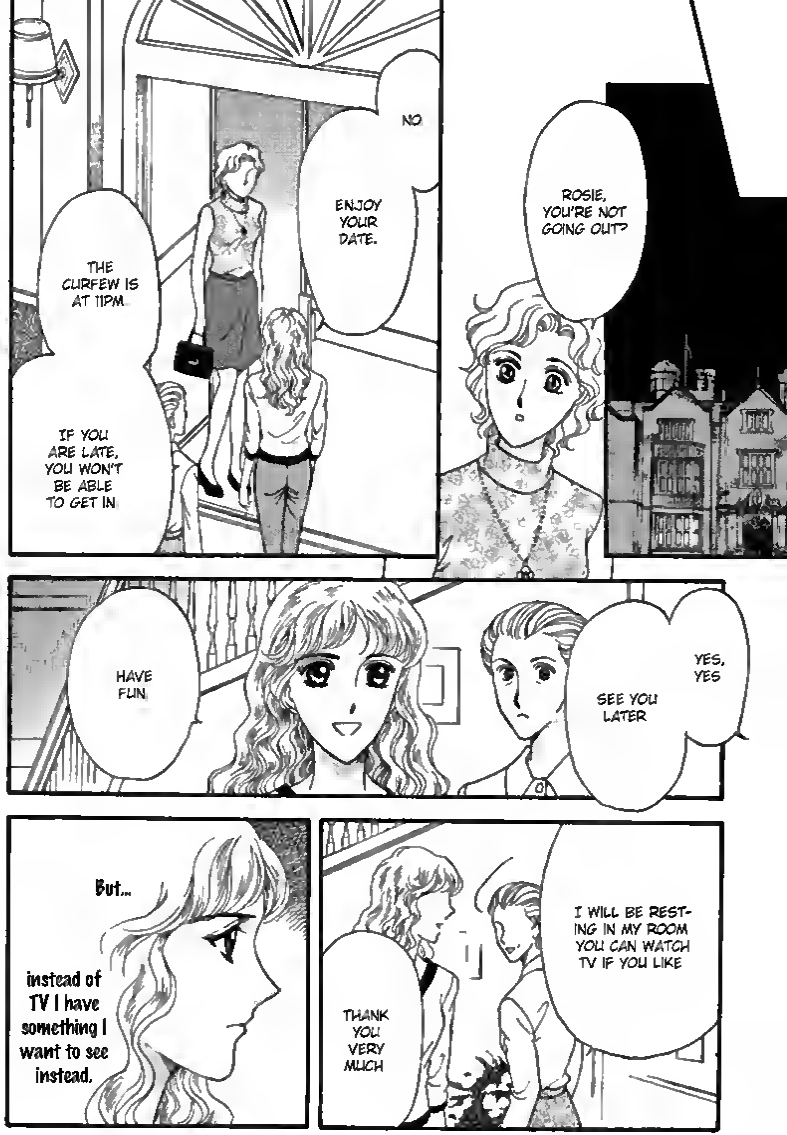
This mansion is full of Lucia's memories.

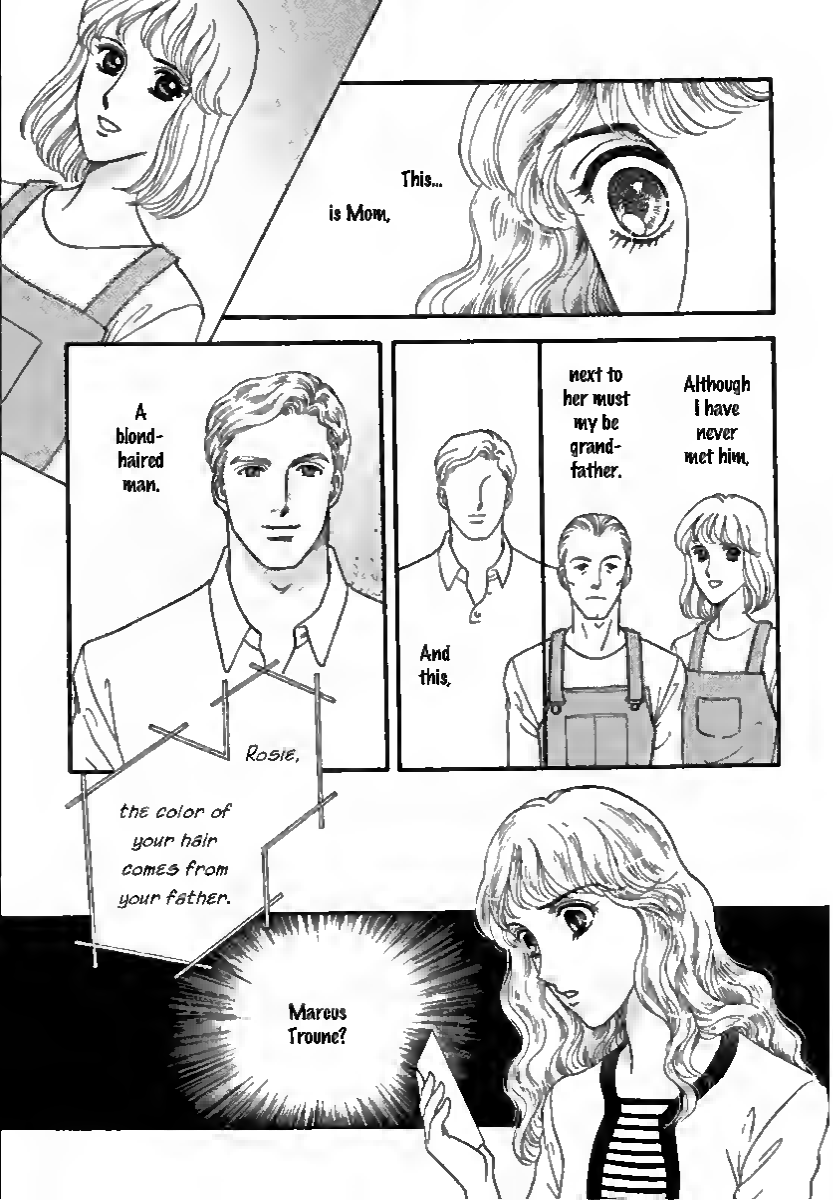
I can't let a woman like her ruin the home Lucia loved so dearly.

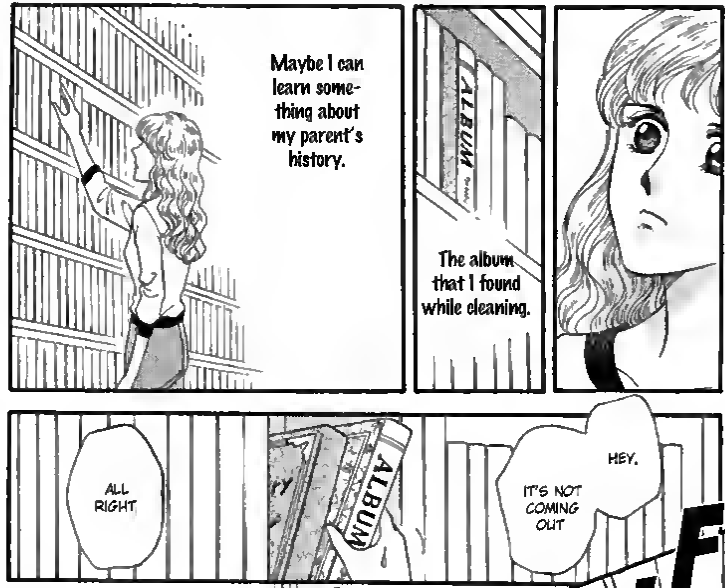
TRINA DYSART
I WONDER HOW VULGAR
THE INTERIOR WILL LOOK AFTER SHE GETS THROUGH WITH IT.
I CAN'T LET SUCH A WOMAN DO WHATEVER SHE LIKES TO THIS MANSION.
BUT I'M SURE SHE'S AFTER HIS PROPERTY
MARCUS IS BEING FOOLED,

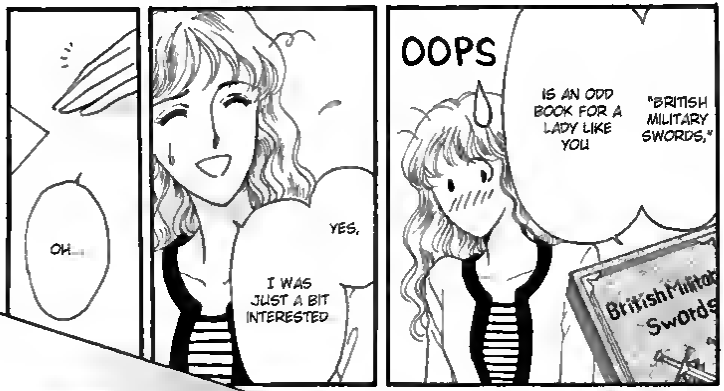


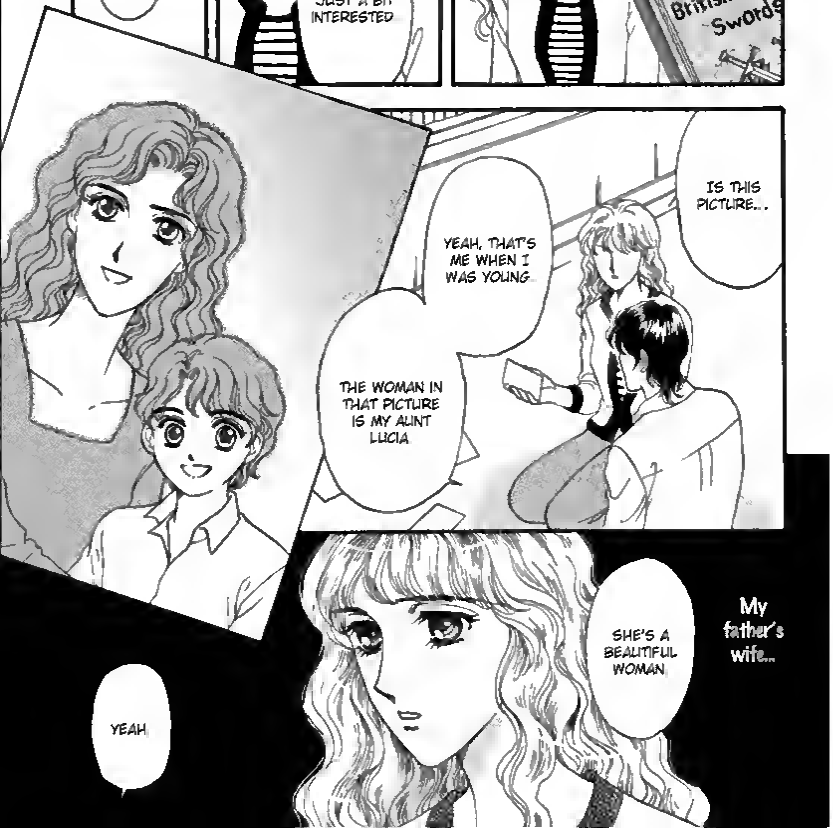
since that one day,
I haven't seen the man
I wonder if he's busy with work from London.
I don't feel comfortable when he's around.
It's better that way.
Click


NO
ENJOY YOUR DATE.
THE CURFEW IS AT 11PM.
IF YOU ARE LATE, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET IN.
ROSIE, YOU'RE NOT GOING OUT?
HAVE FUN.
YES, YES
SEE YOU LATER
But...
instead of TV I have something I want to see instead.
I WILL BE RESTING IN MY ROOM YOU CAN WATCH TV IF YOU LIKE
THANK YOU VERY MUCH

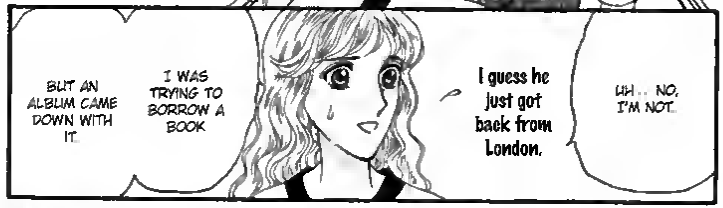

This...
is Mom.
A blond-haired man.
Rosie,
the color of your hair comes from your father.
Marcus Troune?
And this,
next to her must my be grand-father.
Although I have never met him.


Maybe I can learn something about my parent's history.
ALBUM
The album that I found while cleaning.
ALL RIGHT
ALBUM
IT'S NOT COMING OUT
HEY.
FLOMP
KYAH...
UGH
WHAT AM I DOING.

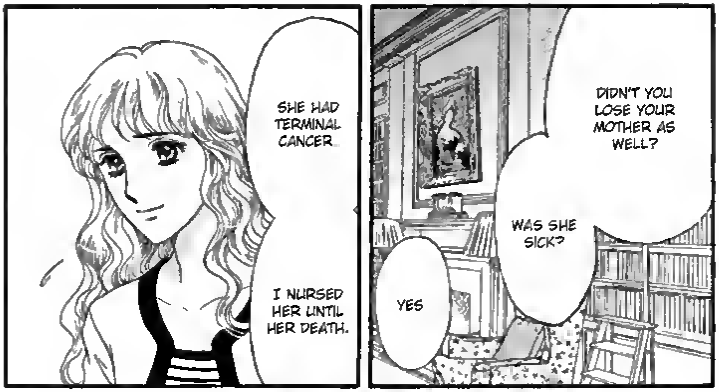

OOPS
IS AN ODD BOOK FOR A LADY LIKE YOU
"BRITISH MILITARY SWORDS,"
YES,
I WAS JUST A BIT INTERESTED
OH...


IS THIS PICTURE...
YEAH, THAT'S ME WHEN I WAS YOUNG.
THE WOMAN IN THAT PICTURE IS MY AUNT LUCIA.
My father's wife...
SHE'S A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN.
YEAH.

Sebastian Garcia!
FLINCH
WHAT HAPPENED HERE?
ARE YOU STILL WORKING?

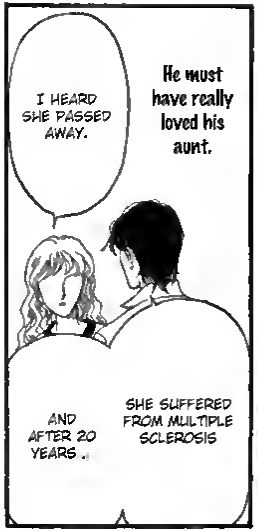

BUT AN ALBUM CAME DOWN WITH IT.
I WAS TRYING TO BORROW A BOOK
I guess he just got back from London.
UH... NO, I'M NOT.

HERE, LET ME HELP YOU.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
I'M SORRY FOR MAKING A MESS.
I'LL CLEAN IT UP RIGHT AWAY.


SHE HAD TERMINAL CANCER.
I NURSED HER UNTIL HER DEATH.
DIDN'T YOU LOSE YOUR MOTHER AS WELL?
WAS SHE SICK?
YES

SUCH AN EXPERIENCE AT YOUR AGE..
WOW... THAT MUST HAVE BEEN TOUGH

I'LL BE RIGHT BACK
CAN YOU WAIT HERE FOR A MOMENT?
EH?


I HEARD SHE PASSED AWAY.
He must have really loved his aunt.
AND AFTER 20 YEARS..
SHE SUFFERED FROM MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

ON TOP OF IT, MY AUNT WAS EDUCATED AND SWEET.
SHE WAS A WONDERFUL LADY.

BUT
MARCUS WAS THERE FOR HER
I'M SORRY TO HEAR...

MARCUS CONTINUED TO CARE FOR HER
AND SUPPORTED HER EMOTIONALLY AS WELL.
THEIR BOND MUST HAVE BEEN STRONGER THAN ANYONE ELSE'S.

TAP
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING
?
CLUNK
WHOOSH
Such
a scary thought.

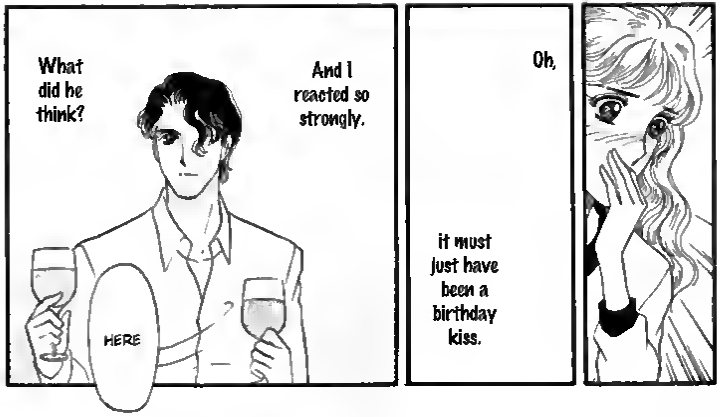
Marcus left his sick wife
and was having a romance with a young girl.
That's not true.
Their bond was stronger than anyone else's

if he knows about this.
I wonder what will happen to him
Marcus and my mother...
Might he be able to forgive...
and
my presence...

HOW PRETTY...
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
SINCE MY MOTHER DIED, I DIDN'T THINK I'D CELEBRATE THIS YEAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ROSIE
EH
YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY, RIGHT?
UMM...
HOW DID YOU KNOW?
I JUST HEARD FROM MARGE...
I'M SORRY I COULDN'T GET YOU ANYTHING BETTER
NOT EVEN.
THANKS

WHOOSH
I BROUGHT WINE.
LET'S HAVE A DRINK.
Eh...
Why did he suddenly stop?


What did he think?
HERE
And I reacted so strongly.
Oh,
it must just have been a birthday kiss.

But...
Why
all of a sudden?
I've been waiting for this moment to happen.
I think
MM...
Grip

I WON'T BE INVITING ANY WEIRD MEN INTO THE MANSION
SO PLEASE DON'T WORRY.
JUST SO YOU KNOW, I NEVER HAD A BOY-FRIEND.
I GAVE UP GOING TO SCHOOL TO TAKE CARE OF MY MOTHER.
I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO DATE.

EXCUSE ME, I HAVE TO GO NOW.

That must be a lie.
I never had a boy-friend.
Men probably can't leave her alone.

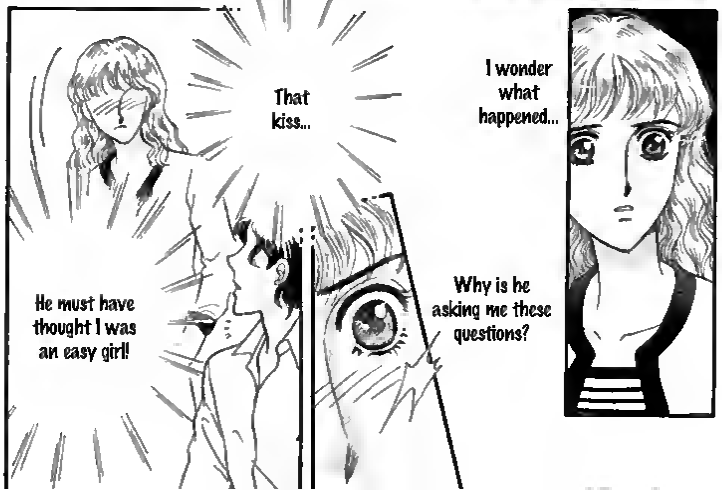
Wow, I thought she was fragile
but she's pretty fierce.

SLAM

I DON'T HAVE ANYONE I'D INVITE.
HOW ABOUT A BOY-FRIEND?

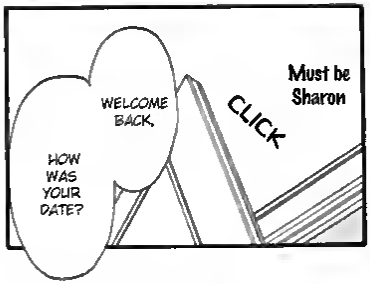
YOU SHOULD HAVE INVITED YOUR FRIENDS OVER SINCE IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY
IT WON'T MATTER AS LONG AS IT'S AFTER WORK.

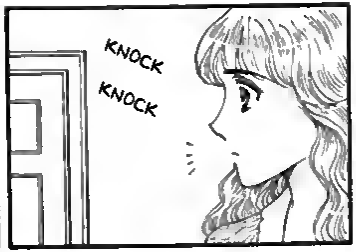
NO, I DON'T HAVE ONE
REALLY?
DOES IT JUST MEAN YOU DON'T HAVE ONE RIGHT NOW?


That kiss...
He must have thought I was an easy girl!
Why is he asking me these questions?
I wonder what happened...

I thought he was such a gentleman...

KNOCK
KNOCK
What am I thinking?
Goodness.


WELCOME BACK.
HOW WAS YOUR DATE?
CLICK
Must be Sharon


KNOCK
KNOCK

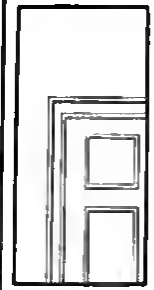
if I had continued that kiss...
I was about to push her down

She has a charm that attracts men.
Or else, I wouldn't have been so flustered by her.

British Mili
Swords

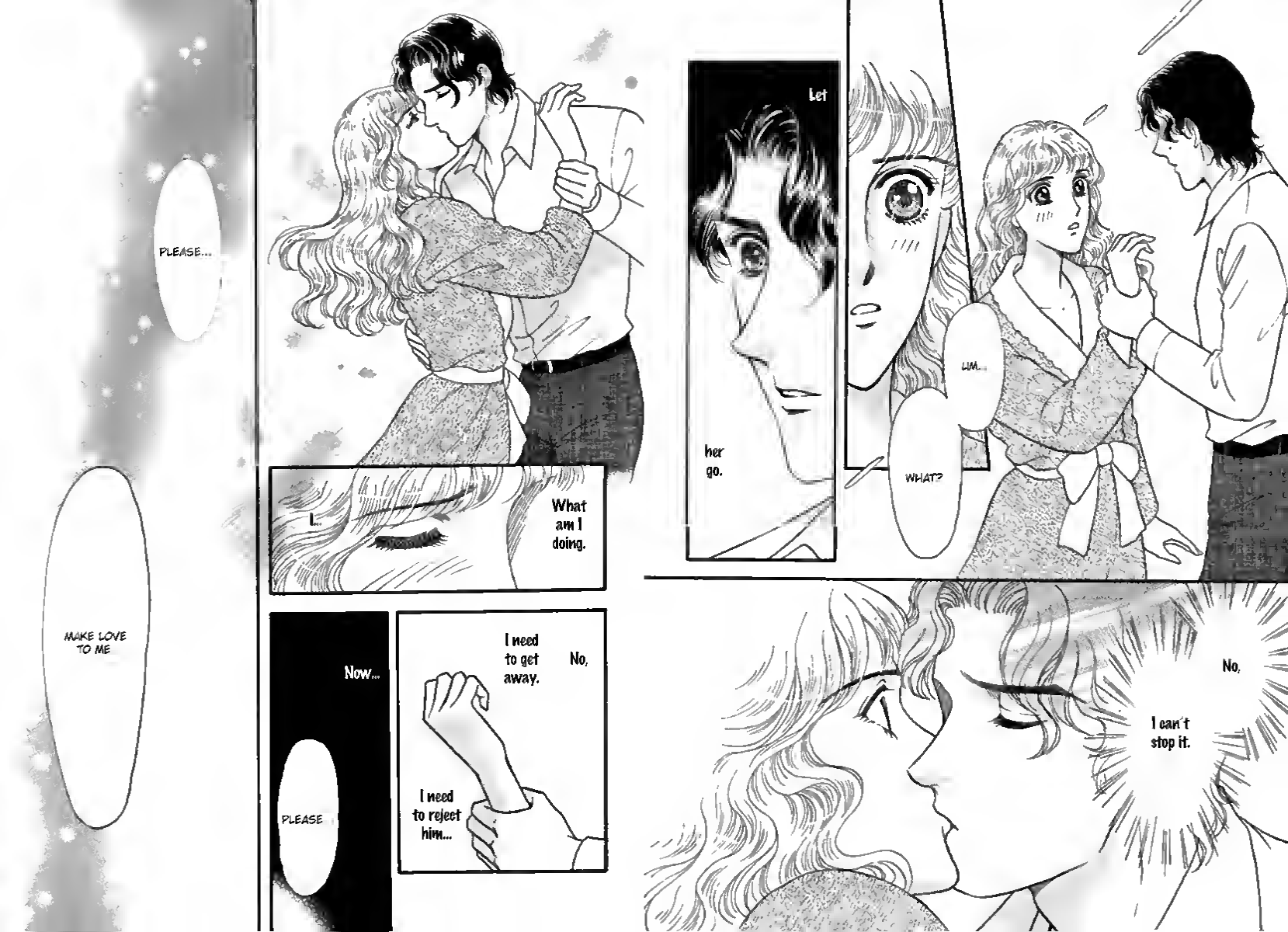
Even though I'm just an employee, that was rude!
It gets to me.

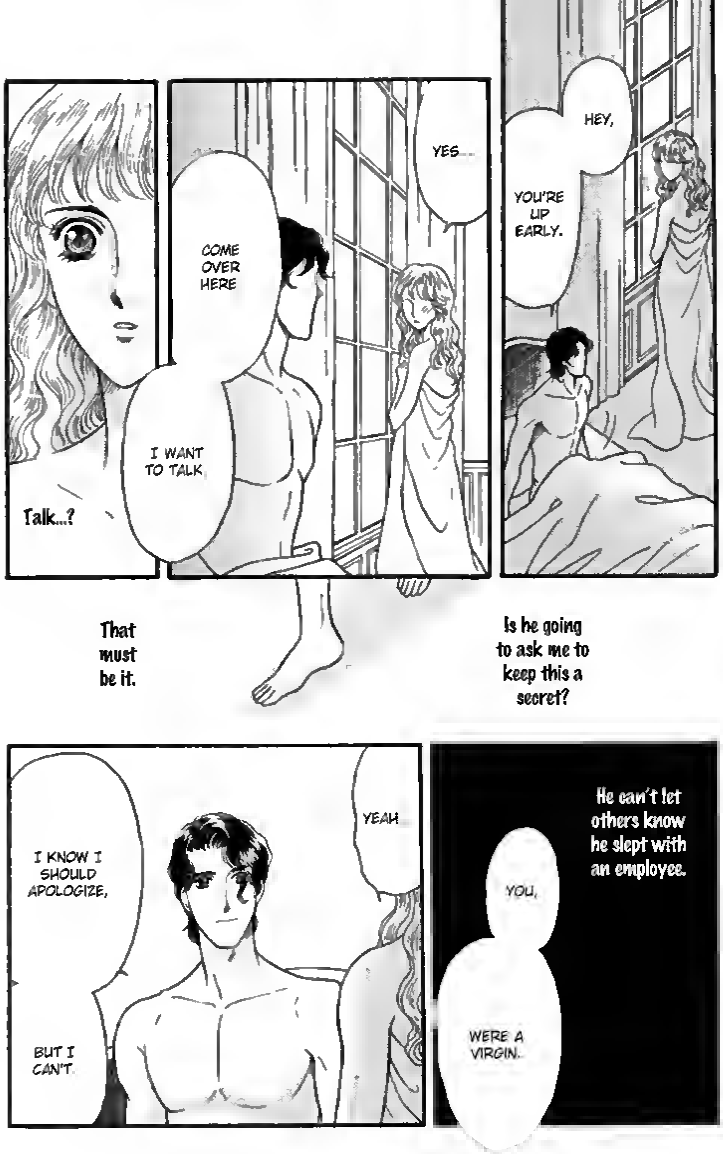
Ah



DROP
British Military Swords
PARDON ME
AH,
I'M SORRY...
Eh...

Eh
UH...
WHAT IS IT?
British M
Swor
EH?
UM...
YOU FORGOT THIS...


PLEASE...
MAKE LOVE TO ME
L...
What am I doing.
Let
her go.
UM...
WHAT?
Now...
PLEASE
I need to get away.
No,
I need to reject him...
No,
I can't stop it.


HEY,
YOU'RE UP EARLY.
YES...
COME OVER HERE
I WANT TO TALK.
Talk...?
That must be it.
Is he going to ask me to keep this a secret?
YEAH.
I KNOW I SHOULD APOLOGIZE,
BUT I CAN'T.
YOU,
WERE A VIRGIN.
He can't let others know he slept with an employee.

What did we just do?
Everyone used to tease me,
calling me a "late bloomer".
Make love to me.
I can't believe I said that.

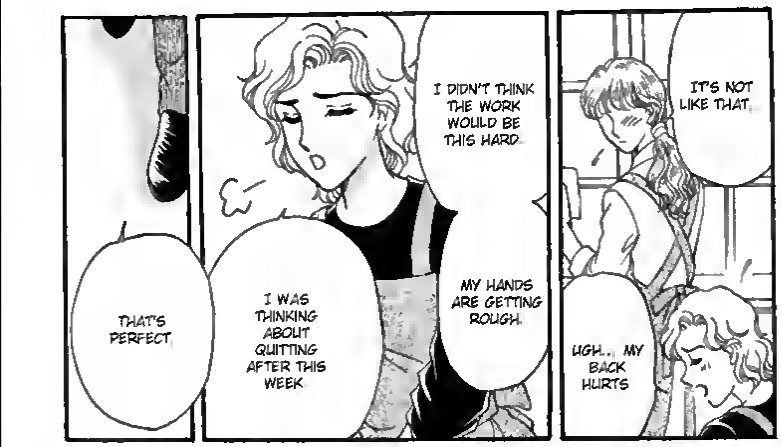
ROSIE,
YOU MIGHT GET PREGNANT
NO...
THAT WAS MY FAULT TOO.
SHUT
Don't worry about it?
I can't do that
what's going to happen if I get pregnant?
Preg-nant...
LET'S TALK ABOUT THIS PROPERLY LATER.
FOR NOW, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT

IT WAS FAR TOO WONDER-FUL
OF AN EXPERIENCE TO APOLO-GIZE FOR
SO...
He doesn't regret it?
Really?
Too wonder-ful?
UM...
EH?
YOU'RE NOT ON THE PILL, ARE YOU?
SINCE IT WAS YOUR FIRST TIME,
YOU DIDN'T TAKE ANY PRECAUTIONS, DID YOU?

ON TOP OF THAT, THE GARCIAS ARE A VERY DISTINGUISHED FAMILY.
THEY RUN A FIRST-CLASS COMPANY.
HMM
HE'S SUCH A GOOD-LOOKING MAN PLUS, ISN'T HE RICH?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
THE COMPANY HE OPERATES MAKES THAT MUCH MONEY?
IS HE MARRIED?
YOU SHOULD FORGET ABOUT HIM THOUGH, FOR US PEASANTS, HE'S A DREAM
WE LIVE IN TWO SEPARATE WORLDS.
YEAH...
HE HAS MANY WOMEN CHASING AFTER HIM,
BUT I THINK HE STILL WANTS TO ENJOY THE SINGLE LIFE
OH,
ARE YOU TARGETING HIM?
OH,
ISN'T THAT SENOR GARCIA?
YES, ON A MORNING WALK.

Am I

going down the same path as my mother...

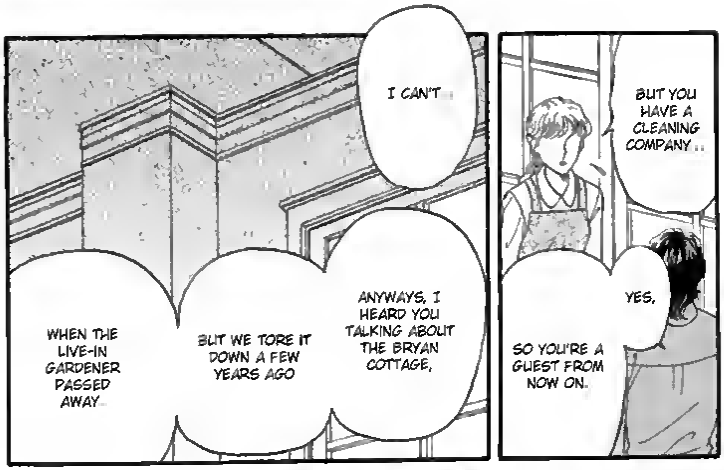

THAT'S PERFECT.
I WAS THINKING ABOUT QUITTING AFTER THIS WEEK.
I DIDN'T THINK THE WORK WOULD BE THIS HARD.
MY HANDS ARE GETTING ROUGH.
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT.
UGH... MY BACK HURTS

SO, WE'RE GOOD WITHOUT YOU GIRLS.
ACTUALLY, OUR PLANS CHANGED
AND WE DECIDED TO USE A CLEANING COMPANY.

there's nothing we can do.
Even if I were to get pregnant,
I KNOW VERY WELL

IS THERE SOMEONE YOU KNOW?
HMM... I HAVEN'T HEARD OF IT.
I HEAR IT'S AROUND HERE
YES,

THE BRYAN COTTAGE?
EH?


I CAN'T...
WHEN THE LIVE-IN GARDENER PASSED AWAY...
BUT WE TORE IT DOWN A FEW YEARS AGO
ANYWAYS, I HEARD YOU TALKING ABOUT THE BRYAN COTTAGE,
BUT YOU HAVE A CLEANING COMPANY...
YES,
SO YOU'RE A GUEST FROM NOW ON.

SAME LAST NAME AS YOURS.
JOE LAMBERT
THE NAME OF THE GARDENER WAS...

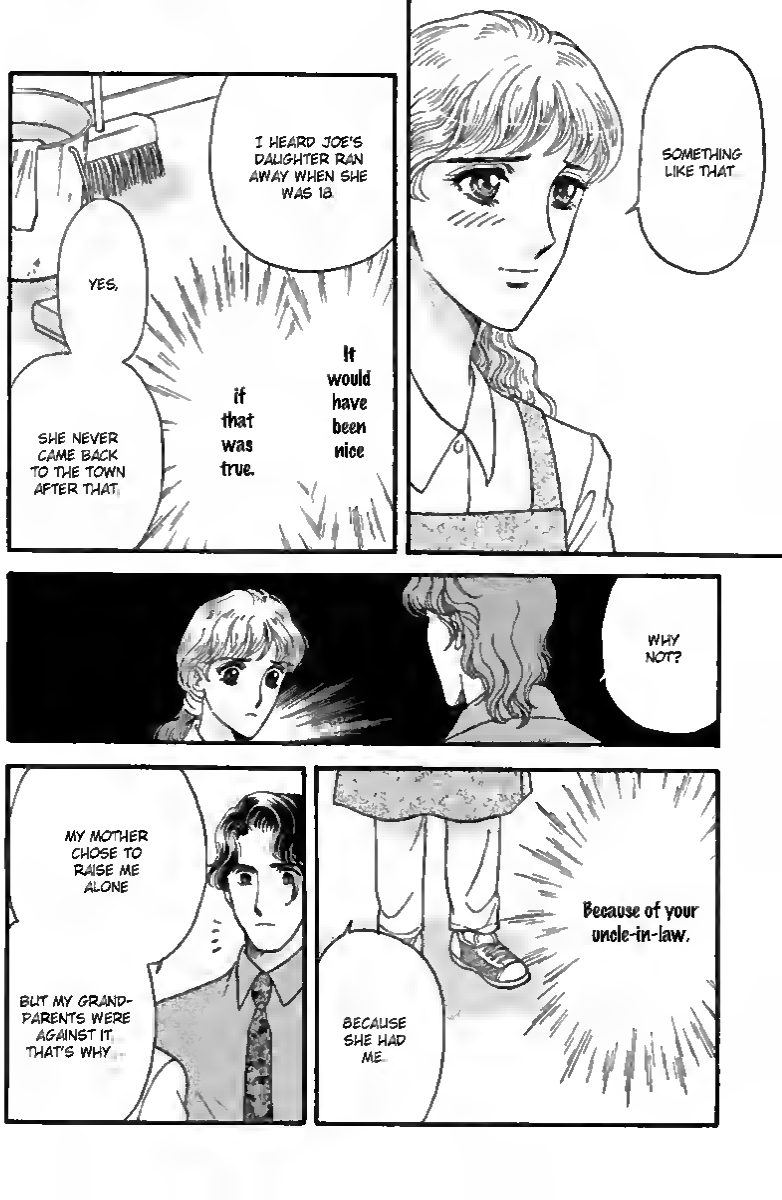
THEN DID YOU COME HERE TO FIND YOUR MOTHER'S MEMORIES?
YES.
I REMEMBERED THAT JOE HAD A DAUGHTER,
WAS SHE YOUR MOTHER?
YES...
MY GRAND-FATHER

WE'LL PAY YOU FOR THE REST OF THE WEEK,
BUT YOU CAN GO NOW
What do you mean?
REALLY?
THEN, I'M GOING TO TAKE YOUR OFFER

You want to kick me out, huh?
I'M GOING TO GO PACK UP.

EH
I CAN'T LET YOU DO THAT.
YOU NEED TO STAY HERE.
Just like my mother...
I GUESS I SHOULD PACK MY BAGS AS WELL...

THAT...
MUST HAVE BEEN TOUGH.
I DON'T WANT YOUR SYMPATHY!
MY MOTHER RAISED ME ALONE
WITHOUT RELYING ON ANYONE ELSE.
IT WAS A LIFE YOU PROBABLY CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE
OF COURSE IT WASN'T EASY
YET, MY MOTHER AND I SUPPORTED EACH OTHER
AND LIVED A HAPPY LIFE.
MY MOTHER'S LIFE
WAS NOT AS PITIFUL AS YOU MIGHT THINK.


SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
I HEARD JOE'S DAUGHTER RAN AWAY WHEN SHE WAS 18.
YES,
SHE NEVER CAME BACK TO THE TOWN AFTER THAT.
It would have been nice if that was true.
WHY NOT?
MY MOTHER CHOSE TO RAISE ME ALONE
BUT MY GRAND-PARENTS WERE AGAINST IT. THAT'S WHY...
Because of your uncle-in-law.
BECAUSE SHE HAD ME.

I NEED TO RETURN TO SPAIN FOR WORK.
I WAS HOPING YOU'D JOIN ME.
EH...
UM.
IS SOMETHING WRONG?
OH, IT'S NOTHING.
I MIGHT HAVE GOTTEN YOU PREGNANT.
UNTIL WE KNOW FOR SURE,
I WANT YOU BY MY SIDE.
He wants to have me by his side?
WHY?
ME...?

She has strength hidden under her unstable look.
There is beauty in her cold look.
She surprises me...
I can't!
It's ridiculously attractive.
I shouldn't get any closer.
and put her in danger of pregnancy.
I took her virginity

If I go with him,
I can meet my father.
My father...
MY MOTHER CAN SPEAK ENGLISH AS WELL SO EVEN IF YOU CAN'T SPEAK SPANISH,
YOU WILL BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEM.
I UNDER-STAND.
I WILL GO WITH YOU TO SPAIN.

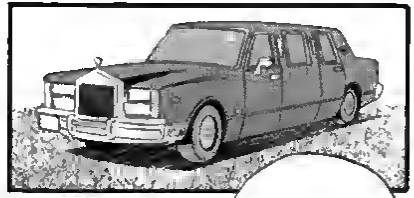
But
Such a responsible man.
He just wants to follow-up with his care-less behavior.
Oh,
that's why.
BUT,
I CAN'T.
No way.
I don't want to be kept by his side as a burden.
THAT'S FINE.
MARCUS IS CURRENTLY LIVING THERE WITH HIS FIANCEE.
FIRST OF ALL, I DON'T SPEAK SPANISH.

THERE'S NO REASON FOR YOU TO BUY ME CLOTHES.
TO ME, THERE IS
SORRY FOR BEING BLUNT BUT THE CLOTHES YOU ARE WEARING DOESN'T FIT YOU CORRECTLY.
THESE ARE HAND-ME-DOWNS.
BUT IT'S FINE, I DON'T NEED NEW CLOTHES.

OR IS IT BECAUSE YOU CAN'T TAKE ME TO YOUR HOUSE LOOKING LIKE THIS?
STOP TALKING LIKE THAT

I JUST WANT TO SEE YOU DRESSED UP.

London

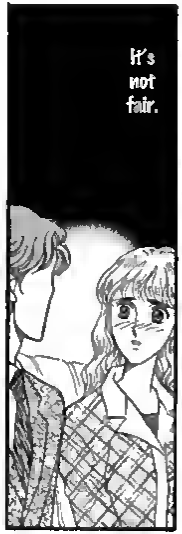


I GOT TICKETS TO FLY TO SPAIN TOMORROW.
SO LETS STAY AT MY FLAT TONIGHT.

SURE.
LET'S GO EAT AND THEN SHOP.

YES, LET'S BUY SOME CLOTHES FOR YOU
SHOP?

Hair Salon
LET ME SEE YOU IN YOUR BEST...
LET'S GET YOUR HAIR AND MAKE-UP DONE TOO.
Henry art


It's not fair.

I WANT TO SEE YOUR BEAUTIFUL BODY
DRESSED IN A PERFECTLY FITTED OUTFIT.

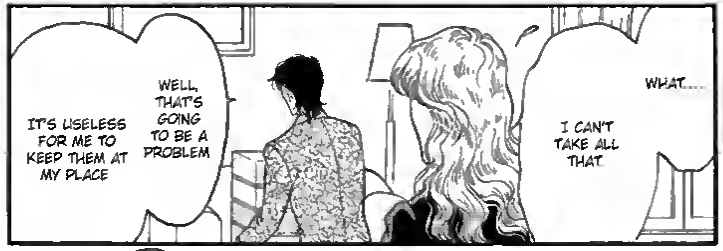
IS THAT OKAY?
When you look at me like that,
I can't resist.

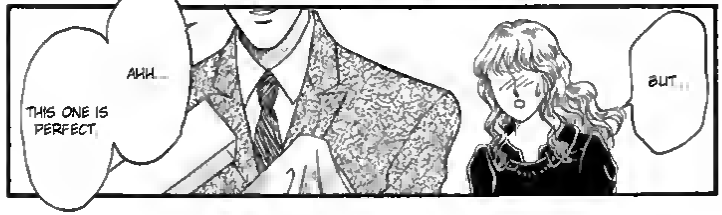
THANK YOU.
.....

His smile
is so mesmerizing.
Wow,
His one word makes me so happy.
YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL
YEAH..
LET'S GO WITH THIS
CAN WE GET SHOES AND TIGHTS TO MATCH HER OUTFIT AS WELL?
JUST A MINUTE.
ROSIE.
I feel like a dress-up doll.
Tried on about 10 outfits.
Finally.
Did mother...
get caught up in the same situation?

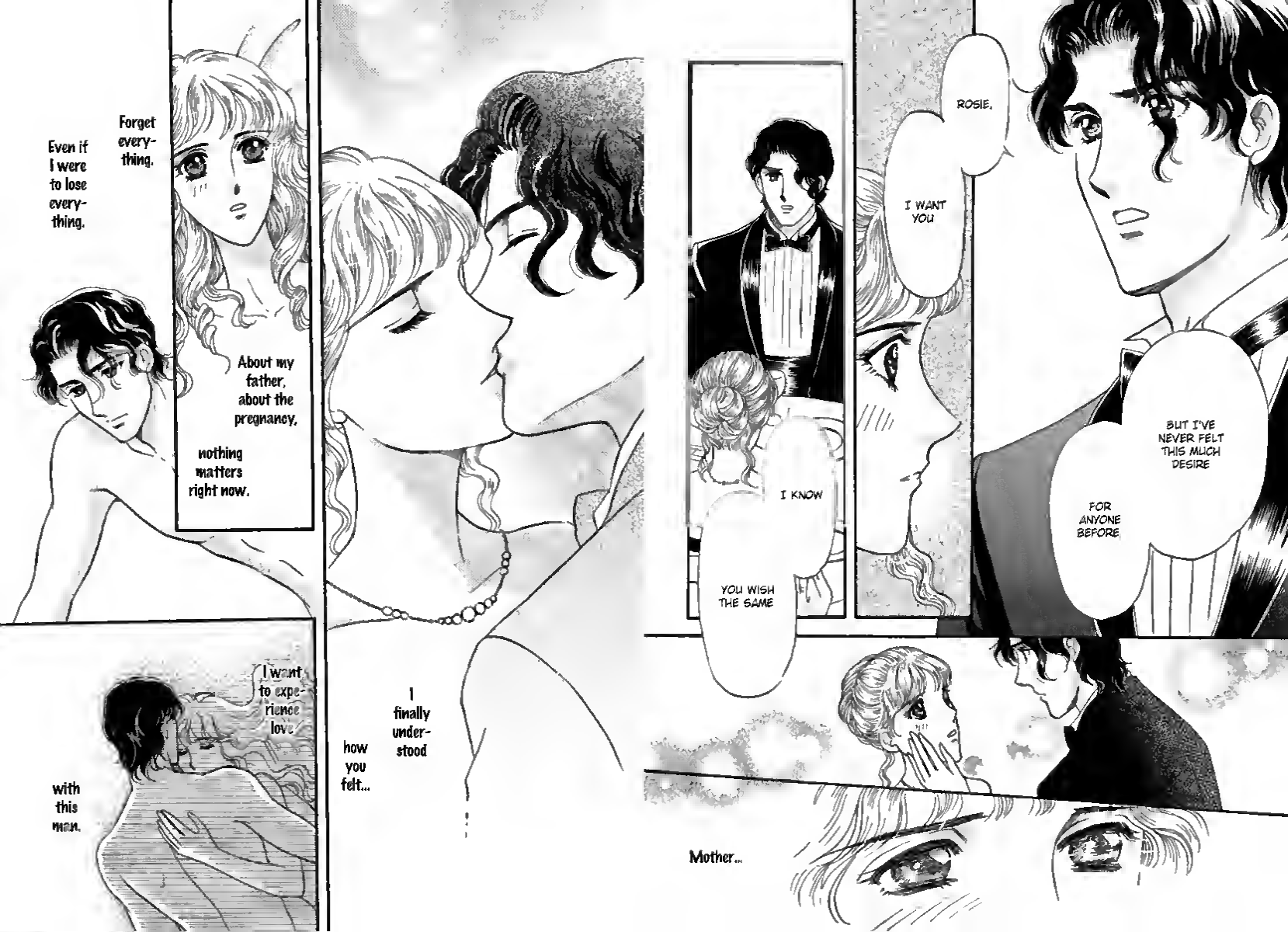
I ORDERED CATERING TONIGHT.
PLEASE WEAR THIS TO DINNER.
FOR ME

THE CLOTHES YOU TRIED ON
I HAD THEM ALL DELIVERED.
UMM...
WHAT'S THAT?

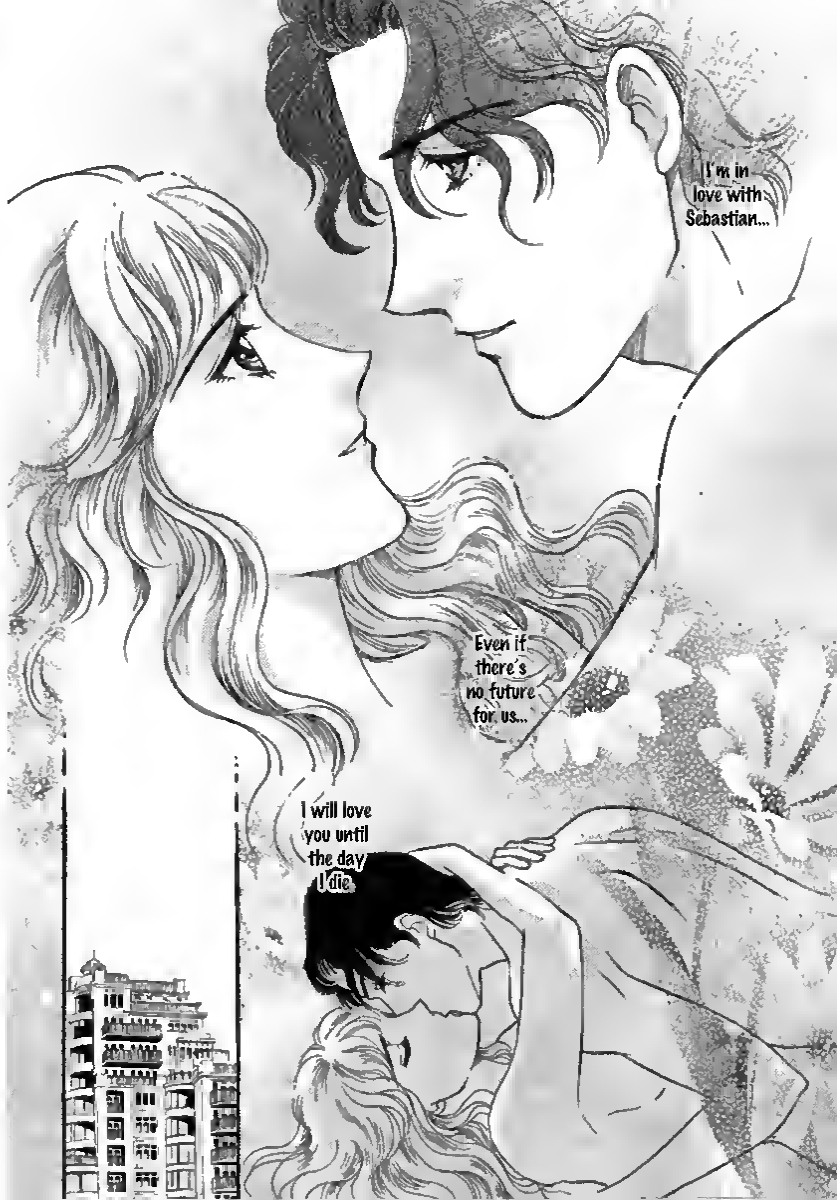

IT'S USELESS FOR ME TO KEEP THEM AT MY PLACE
WELL, THAT'S GOING TO BE A PROBLEM
WHAT....
I CAN'T TAKE ALL THAT

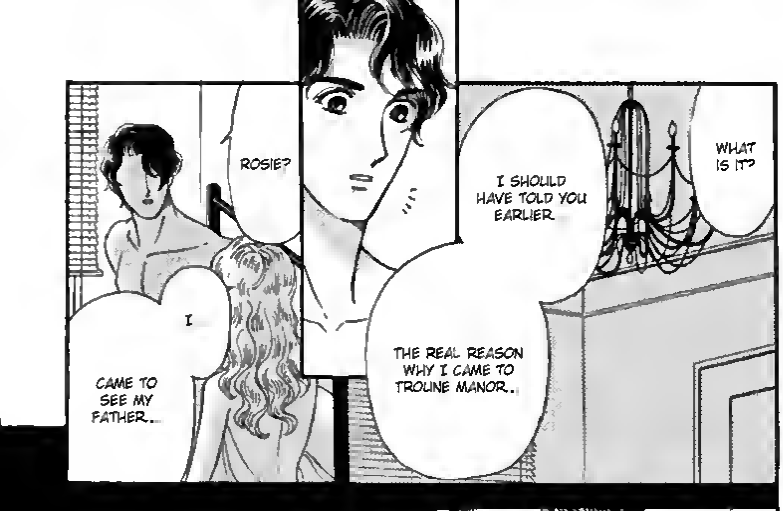

AHH...
THIS ONE IS PERFECT
BUT...

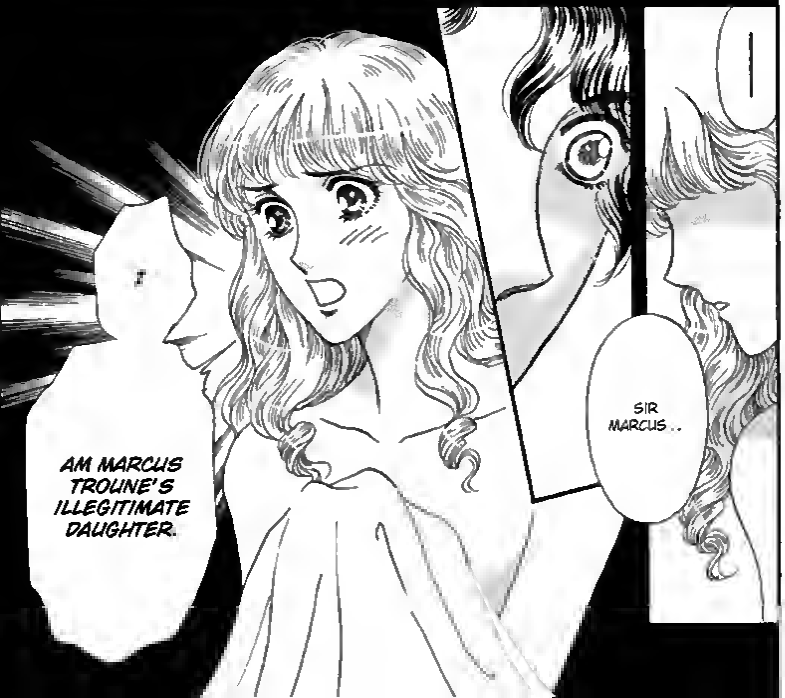
ADRIAN,
YOU GUYS CAN START HEADING HOME.
I'LL CLEAN UP THE REST.
AS YOU WISH.
CLOSE
ENJOY YOUR MEAL
Why is he staring at me?
I ORDERED CATERING
TO HOLD MYSELF IN.
Eh...
TO SET THE BRAKES ON MY FEELINGS FOR YOU.
What should I do?
JUST AS I THOUGHT,
IT LOOKS GREAT ON YOU.
that this will continue forever.
If this continues, I'm going to start dreaming...
I know that's impossible.
will remain by my side.
That you...

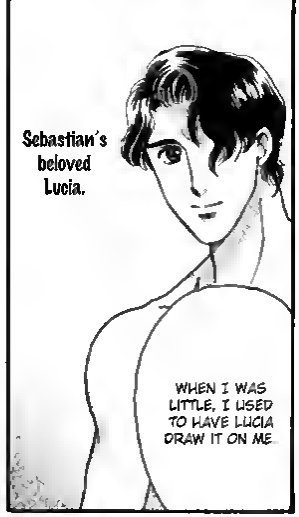

Even if I were to lose everything.
Forget everything.
About my father, about the pregnancy,
nothing matters right now.
I finally understood how you felt...
I want to experience love with this man.
ROSIE,
I WANT YOU
I KNOW
YOU WISH THE SAME
BUT I'VE NEVER FELT THIS MUCH DESIRE FOR ANYONE BEFORE
Mother...

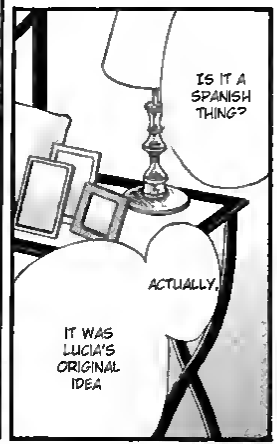
SEBASTIAN?
OH, I'M SORRY
I WOKE YOU UP.
WHAT'S THIS?
A LUCKY CHARM
IF YOU DRAW THIS SYMBOL OR KEEP SOMETHING WITH THIS ENGRAVED WITH THIS SYMBOL, YOU CAN BE HAPPY
I WANT YOU TO BE HAPPY


I'm in love with Sebastian...
Even if there's no future for us...
I will love you until the day I die.







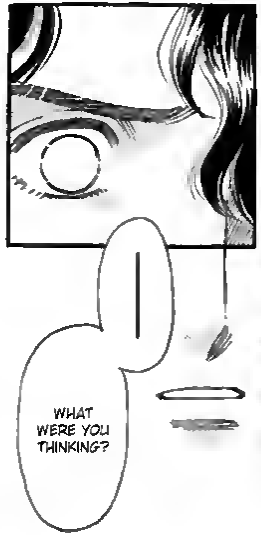


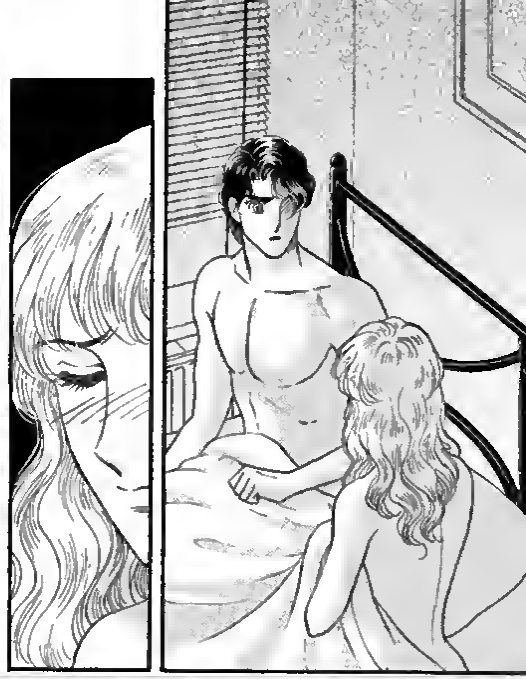
If Sebastian finds out, I wonder how angry he will get.

As a result, I was born.

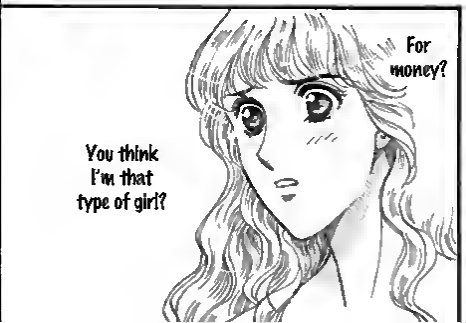
Marcus, who betrayed her trust.

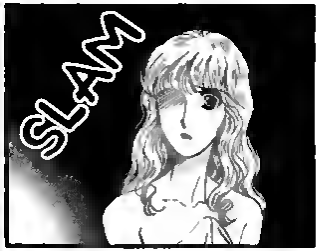
IS IT FOR MONEY?
ARE YOU HERE TARGETING MARCUS' WEALTH?
THAT'S WHY YOU WERE TRYING TO GET ME ON YOUR SIDE


WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?



IF YOU SWEAR THAT YOU ARE HIS CHILD, BRING ME PROOF.
THAT'S IF YOU HAVE ONE!


For money?
You think I'm that type of girl?


SLAM

EH...
YOU THOUGHT I'D BELIEVE SUCH A STORY?
WHAT REASON DO YOU HAVE FOR TELLING ME THIS?
SEBASTIAN?

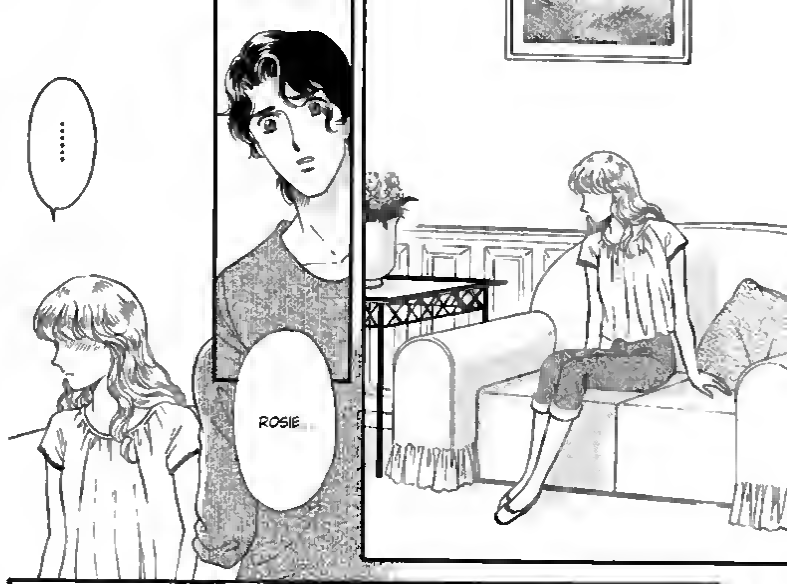
and.... but she reminded me of Trina

I know Rosie's not that type of girl.

How awful...

THIS...
IS A PENDANT THAT IS PASSED DOWN MARCUS' FAMILY FOR GENERATIONS.
WHY DO YOU...?
I GOT IT FROM MY MOTHER
IT WAS A TOKEN OF LOVE,
FROM THE MAN WHO SHOULD BE MY FATHER.

It's Marcus' writing.
"TO MY BELOVED MOLLY,"
RUSTLE
PLUS THIS TOO...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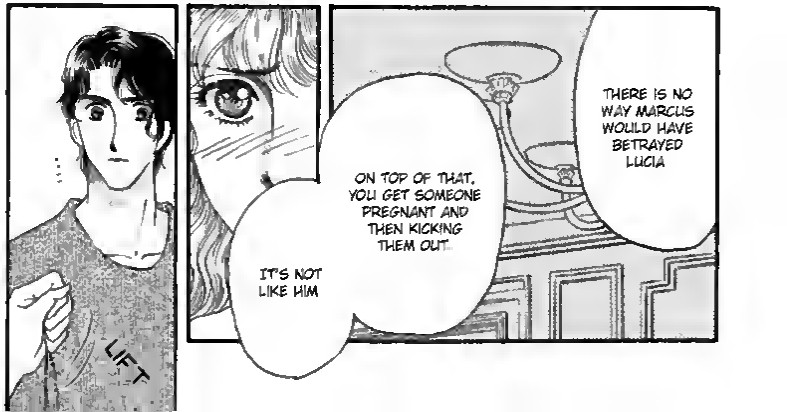
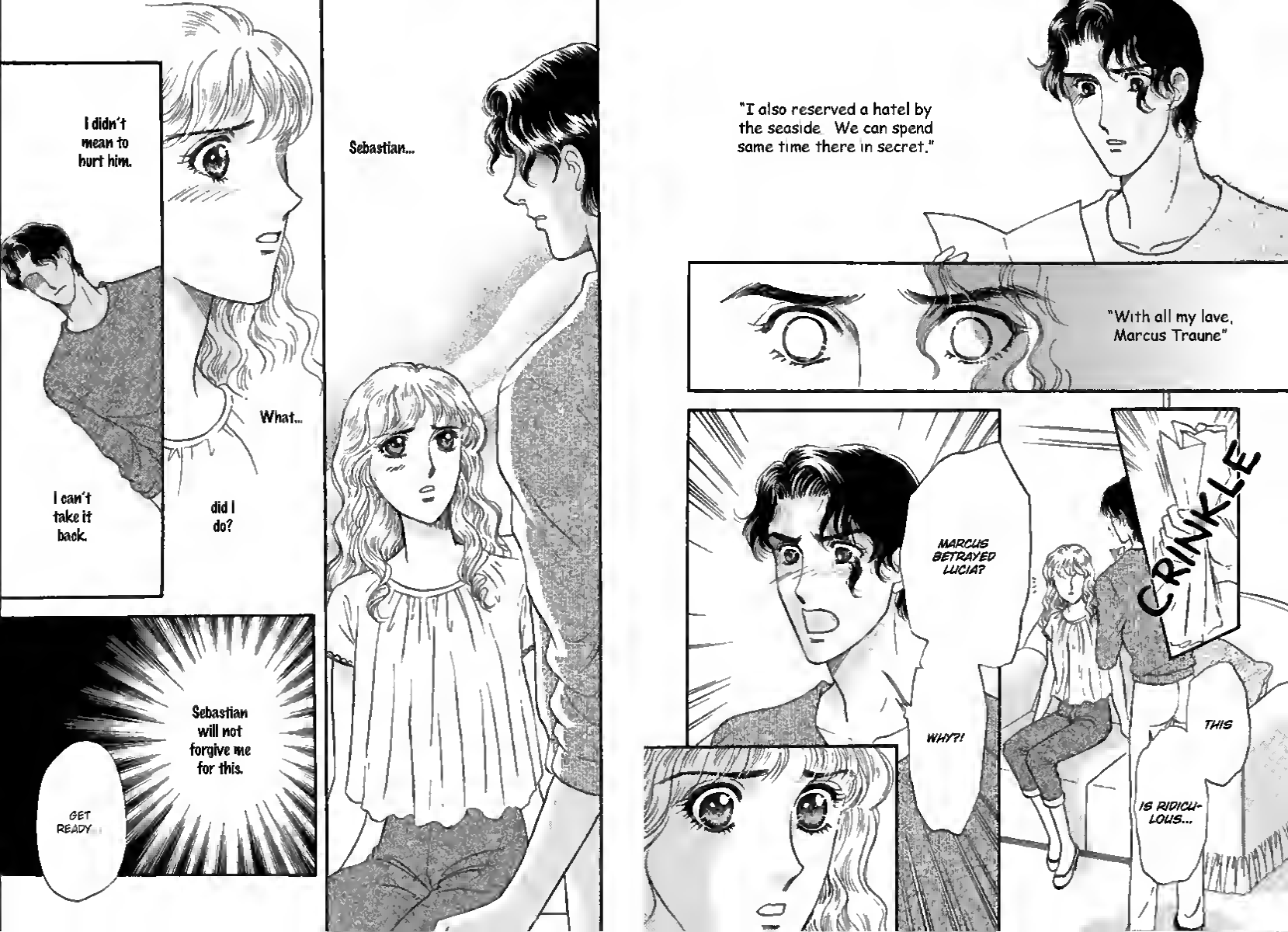
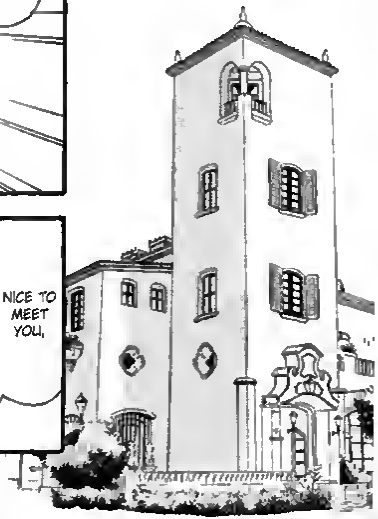
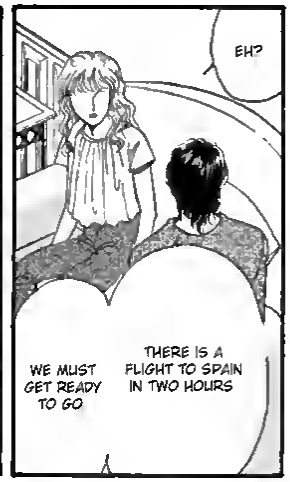
ROSIE...

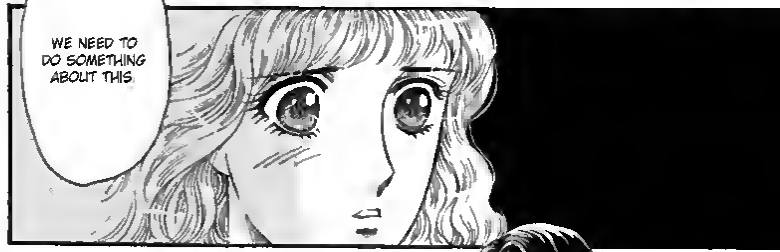
I AM SORRY FOR WHAT HAPPENED EARLIER,
BUT THERE MUST BE A MISTAKE.


.....
LIFT
IT'S NOT LIKE HIM
ON TOP OF THAT, YOU GET SOMEONE PREGNANT AND THEN KICKING THEM OUT.
THERE IS NO WAY MARCUS WOULD HAVE BETRAYED LUCIA


I didn't mean to hurt him.
I can't take it back.
What... did I do?
Sebastian...
Sebastian will not forgive me for this.
GET READY
"I also reserved a hatel by the seaside. We can spend same time there in secret."
"With all my lave, Marcus Traune"
MARCUS BETRAYED LUCIA?
WHY?!
CRINKLE
THIS IS RIDICULOUS...







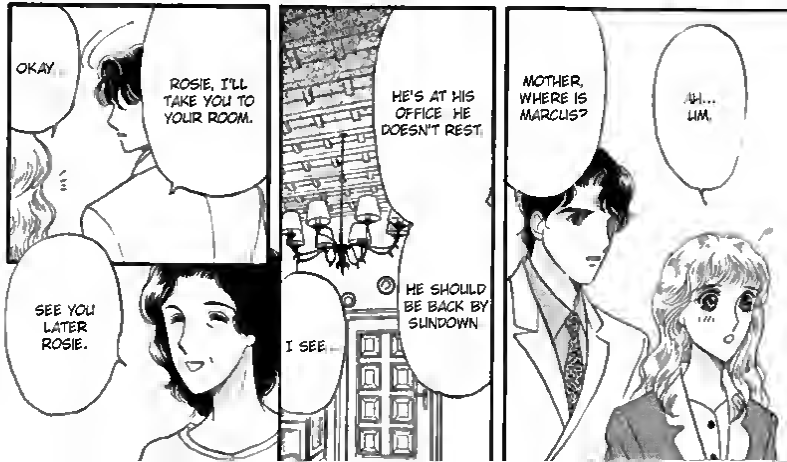
I have to find an answer.

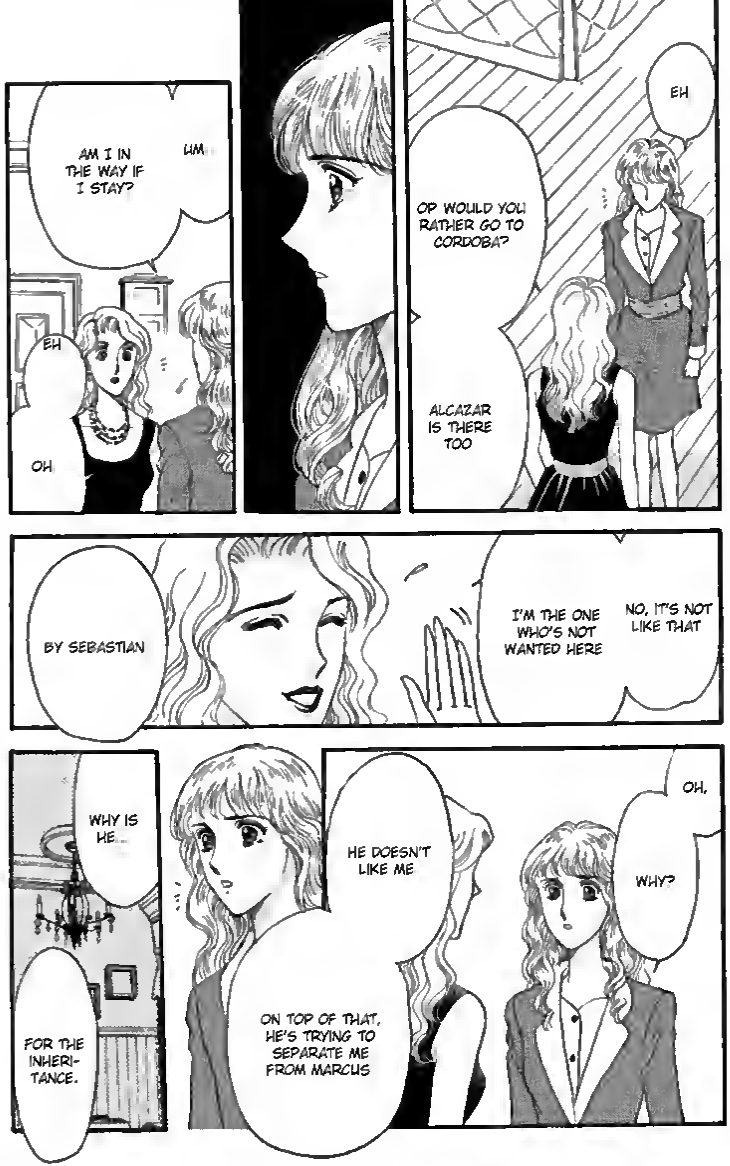
I can't just shake him up and run away.

That's true.

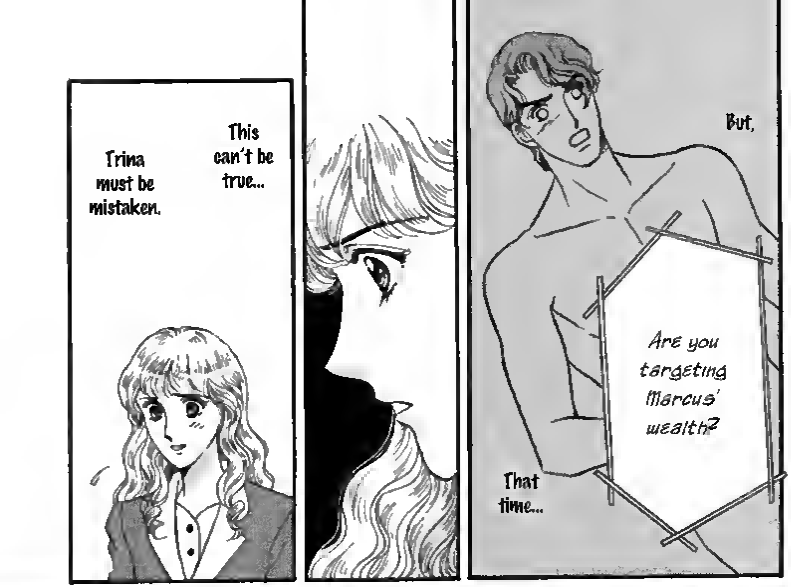
YOU SHOULD REST IN THIS ROOM FOR A LITTLE BIT.
I'LL LET YOU KNOW WHEN MARCUS GETS BACK
UM...
IT SEEMS LIKE YOUR MOTHER GOT THE WRONG IDEA.
.....
We only made limited conversation during the flight and the drive.
He doesn't even look me in the eye.

BIG GRIN
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
ENJOY YOUR STAY
SEBASTIAN BRINGS A GIRL HOME
IT'S THE FIRST TIME

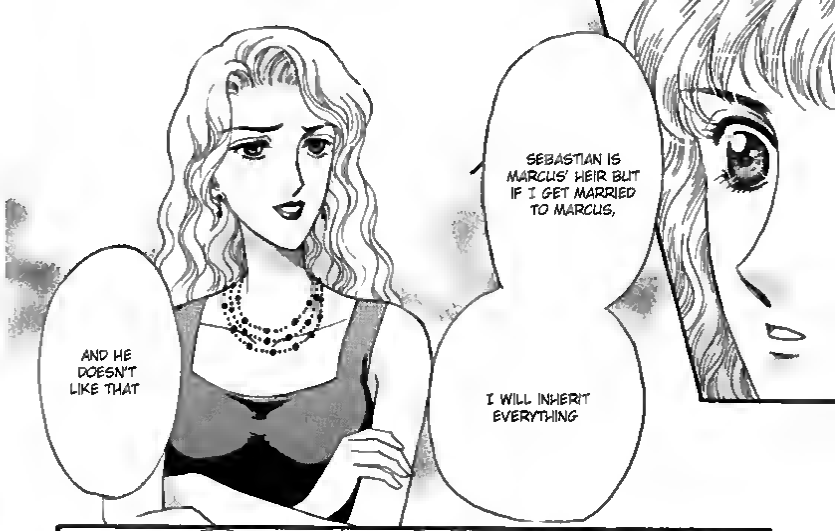

OKAY.
ROSIE, I'LL TAKE YOU TO YOUR ROOM.
SEE YOU LATER ROSIE.
I SEE.
HE'S AT HIS OFFICE HE DOESN'T REST.
HE SHOULD BE BACK BY SUNDOWN
MOTHER, WHERE IS MARCUS?
AH... UM.


AM I IN THE WAY IF I STAY?
UM
EH
OH
EH
OR WOULD YOU RATHER GO TO CORDOBA?
ALCAZAR IS THERE TOO
BY SEBASTIAN
I'M THE ONE WHO'S NOT WANTED HERE
NO, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT
WHY IS HE...
FOR THE INHERI-TANCE.
HE DOESN'T LIKE ME
ON TOP OF THAT, HE'S TRYING TO SEPARATE ME FROM MARCUS
OH,
WHY?

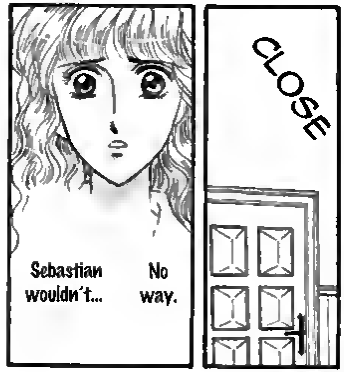
I guess he can't forgive me...
KNOCK KNOCK
OPEN
GOOD AFTER-NOON,
CAN I COME IN?
I HEAR YOU'RE SEBASTIAN'S GIRLFRIEND.
UH... YES
ACTUALLY, UM
WHY DON'T YOU VISIT SEVILLE?
THIS PLACE MUST BE A BORE FOR A YOUNG LADY LIKE YOU.
MARCUS' FIANCEE
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU, I'M TRINA DYSART,
YOU MUST BE ROSIE


Trina must be mistaken.
This can't be true...
But,
Are you targeting Marcus' wealth?
That time...

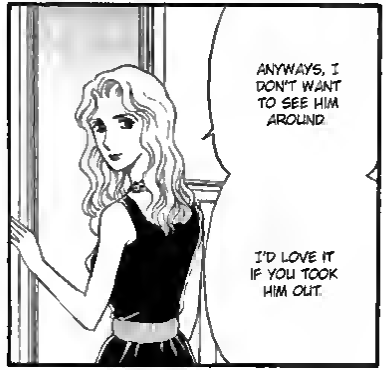
That must be it.
KNOCK KNOCK
ROSIE,
MARCUS IS BACK


AND HE DOESN'T LIKE THAT
SEBASTIAN IS MARCUS' HEIR BUT IF I GET MARRIED TO MARCUS,
I WILL INHERIT EVERYTHING

SUCH A STORY WITH YOU
OH, I'M SORRY FOR SHARING
WHAT


Sebastian wouldn't...
No way.

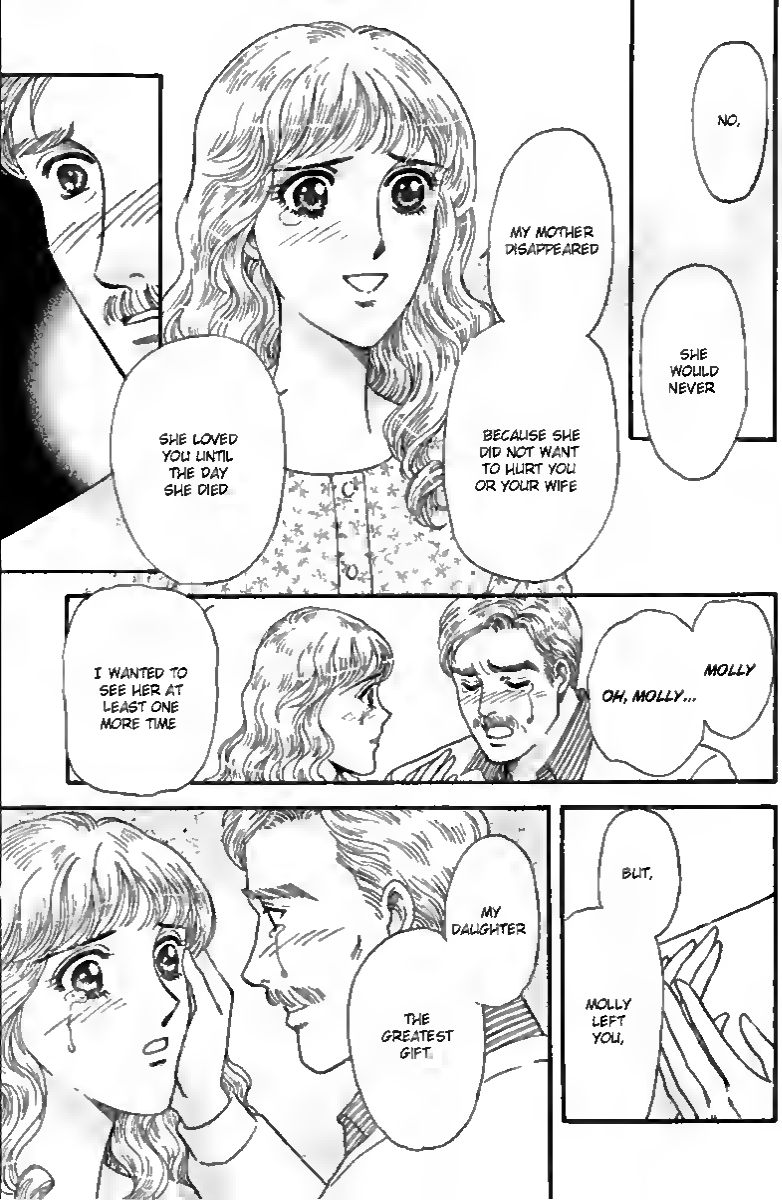
CLOSE


ANYWAYS, I DON'T WANT TO SEE HIM AROUND
I'D LOVE IT IF YOU TOOK HIM OUT

WOOZY
THUD
MOLLY...!
MARCUS!
MARCUS
ARE YOU OKAY, MARCUS?
UH, I'M FINE.
JUST A BIT SURPRISED
HOLD ON, SEBASTIAN.
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?
IT'S NOTHING, TRINA
SHE JUST LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE I KNEW.
...MY MOTHER
OH SEB,
THAT PERSON IS...

BUT,
THAT MEANS YOU'RE MY...
I...
GAVE THAT TO MOLLY
IT WAS A GIFT FROM ROSIE'S FATHER.
TRINA.
STAY OUT OF THIS,
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
WAIT A MINUTE!
SIGH
I'M NOT HERE TO BE ACCEPTED AS YOUR DAUGHTER.
I JUST...
I DIDN'T COME HERE TO CAUSE TROUBLE

MOLLY LAMBERT
IS MY MOTHER
EH
HOW'S YOUR MOTHER DOING?
YOU LOOK JUST LIKE HER.
OH, MOLLY'S...
THIS PENDANT AS A KEEP-SAKE
AND LEFT ROSIE
WHA...
SHE PASSED AWAY TWO MONTHS AGO,
FROM CANCER.


NO,
SHE WOULD NEVER
MY MOTHER DISAPPEARED
BECAUSE SHE DID NOT WANT TO HURT YOU OR YOUR WIFE
SHE LOVED YOU UNTIL THE DAY SHE DIED
I WANTED TO SEE HER AT LEAST ONE MORE TIME
MOLLY
OH, MOLLY...
BUT,
MOLLY LEFT YOU,
MY DAUGHTER
THE GREATEST GIFT.

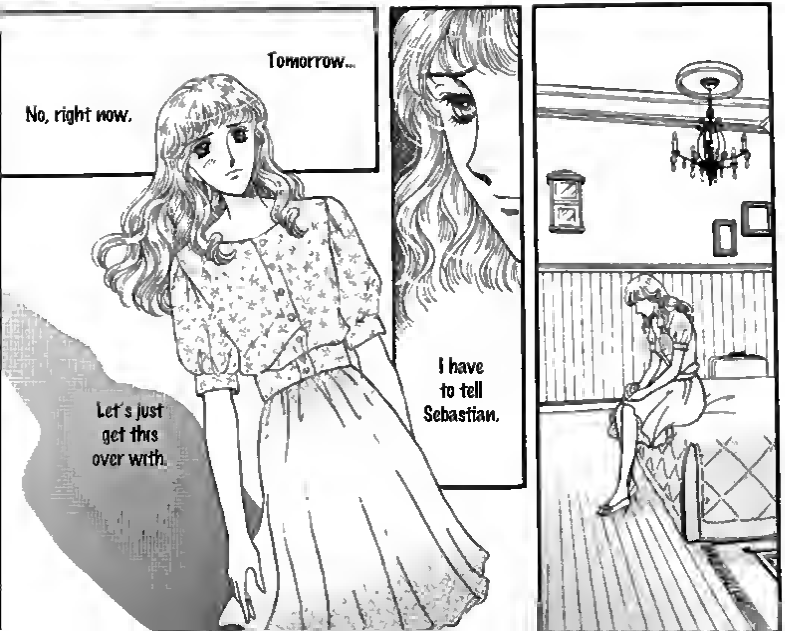
THANKS FOR COMING.
I THOUGHT MAYBE SHE HAD FOUND SOMEONE ELSE.
MOLLY DISAPPEARED WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING.
I'M SORRY I DIDN'T KNOW UNTIL NOW.
SHE MUST HAVE HATED ME.
SHE MUST HAVE GONE THROUGH MANY HARDSHIPS, FOR HER TO PASS AWAY AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE.
IF I HAD KNOWN SHE WAS PREGNANT, I WOULD HAVE NEVER LET HER GO

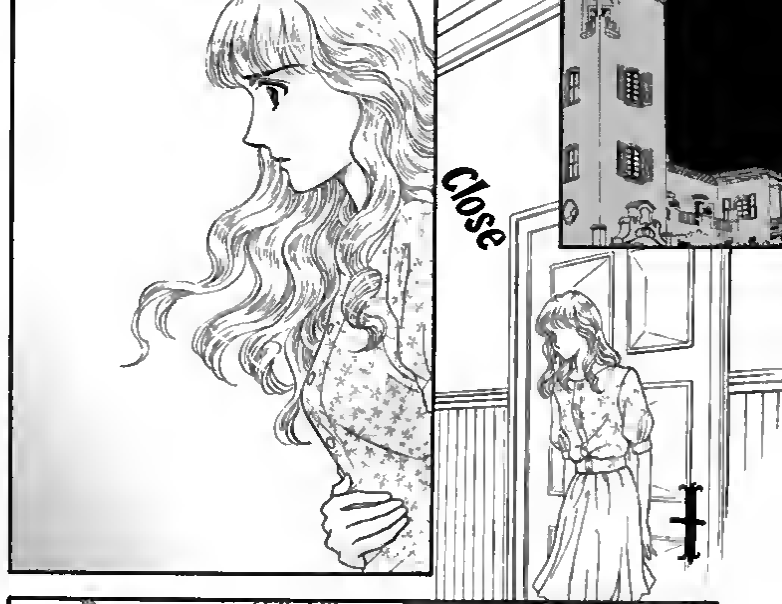
SEBASTIAN
PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
SLAM
SEBASTIAN

ALL THIS
YOU GAINED THROUGH BETRAYAL, RIGHT?
I THOUGHT YOU LOVED LUCIA UNTIL THE END
BUT THAT WAS ALL AN ILLUSION
Sebastian...
BUT I COULDN'T STOP MY FEELINGS FOR MOLLY.
LUCIA WAS IMPORTANT TO ME
MY LOVE BECAME SOMETHING SIMILAR TO THAT OF A FATHER'S.
AFTER CONTINUING TO CARE FOR LUCIA,
PLEASE UNDER-STAND, SEB.

CLANK
I will return it to Rosie later.
I took it without realizing.
Eh...
Sebastian will probably never forgive.
No, he won't.
IT'S UNDERSTANDABLE
THAT CHILD
BUT HE'LL UNDERSTAND ONE DAY...
He will never smile at me
the same way ever again...

But
my tie with Sebastian
is now
gone.


Tomorrow...
No, right now.
Let's just get this over with.
I have to tell Sebastian.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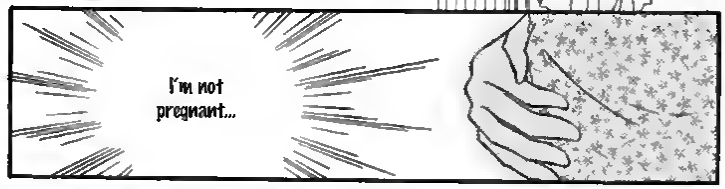
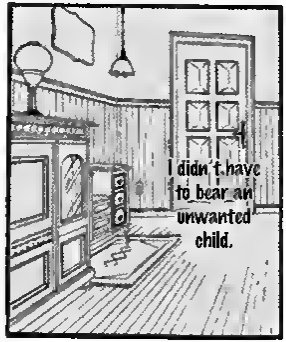
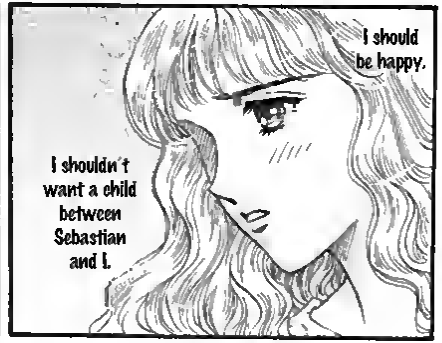

I'm not pregnant...


I didn't have to bear an unwanted child.


I should be happy.
I shouldn't want a child between Sebastian and I.

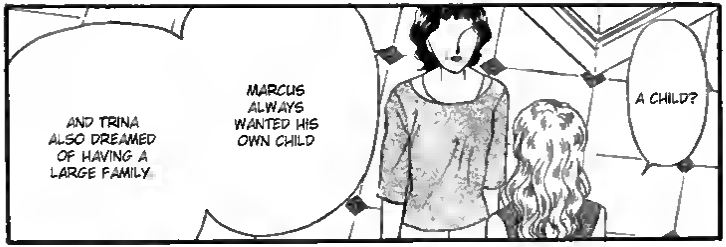
What's this...?
He's trying to separate me from Marcus.
That was true?
Is he blackmailing my father's fiancee?
CONGRATULATIONS.
YOU GOT RID OF ONE OBSTACLE.
NOW IT'S JUST THE DAUGHTER.
WHY DON'T YOU JUST [illegible] TO HER ALREADY?
IF YOU MARRY HER, YOU WILL GET THE INHERITANCE FOR SURE.
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU HAD IT ALL PLANNED OUT.
I WAS PLANNING TO.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME.

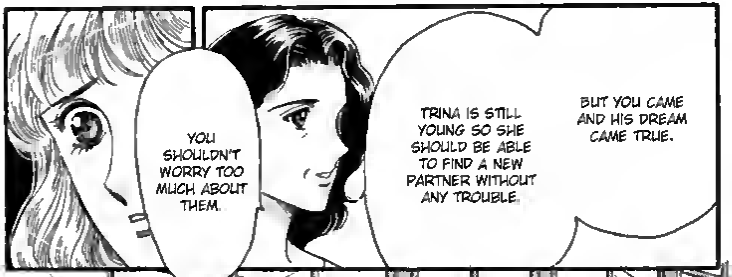
IT'S FINE!
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING.
WRITE OUT THE CHECK IN AMERICAN DOLLARS.
Trina?
IF I SHARE THAT INCIDENT WITH MARCUS, YOU WILL BE KICKED OUT WITHOUT A DIME.
THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY PROBLEMS, CORRECT?
AS YOU WISH.
THIS IS THE LAST TIME I HAND YOU MONEY.

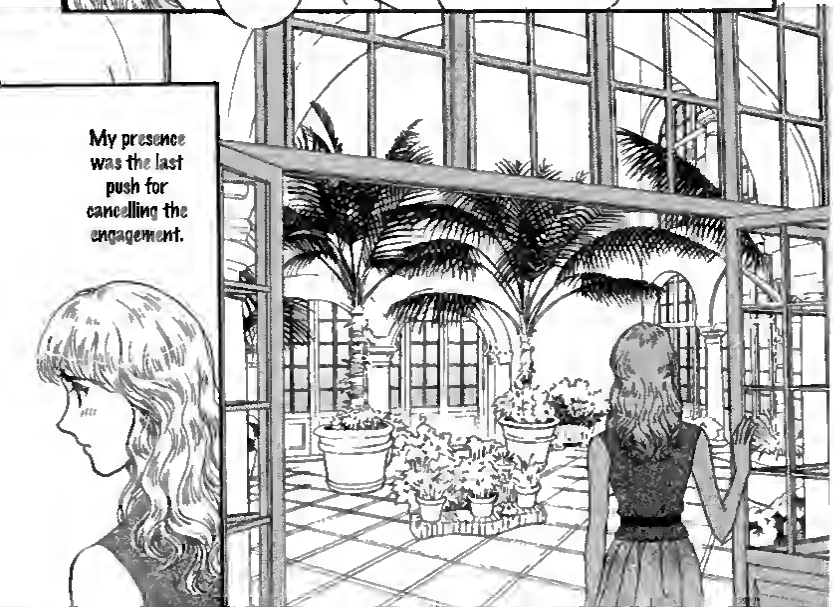
GOOD MORNING, ROSIE.
GOOD MORNING.
I'M SORRY FOR SLEEPING IN SO LATE.
I couldn't sleep last night.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. YOU MUST HAVE BEEN TIRED
MARCUS AND SEBASTIAN HAVE ALREADY LEFT FOR WORK

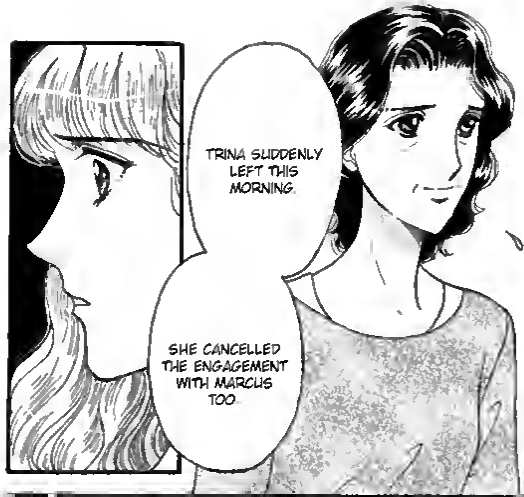
I can't believe
Sebastian was like that.
Slam
No way...!

I didn't want to know...


A CHILD?
MARCUS ALWAYS WANTED HIS OWN CHILD
AND TRINA ALSO DREAMED OF HAVING A LARGE FAMILY.


YOU SHOULDN'T WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT THEM.
TRINA IS STILL YOUNG SO SHE SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND A NEW PARTNER WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE.
BUT YOU CAME AND HIS DREAM CAME TRUE.

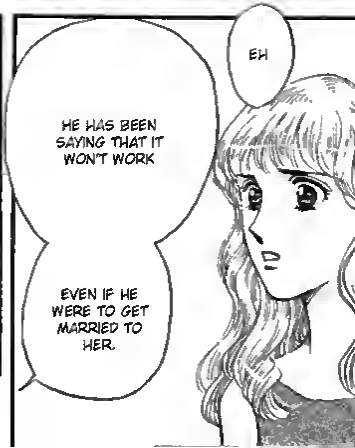

My presence was the last push for cancelling the engagement.


TRINA SUDDENLY LEFT THIS MORNING.
SHE CANCELLED THE ENGAGEMENT WITH MARCUS TOO.

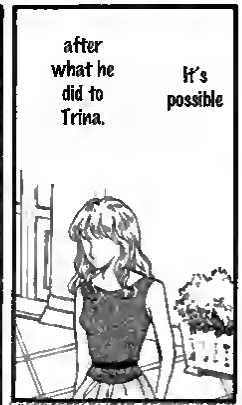
...AND TRINA?
OH...

HE ACTUALLY WAS THINKING OF CANCELLING ANYWAYS.
OH, HE'S FINE.
WHAT ABOUT MY FATHER...?

MAYBE IT WAS BETTER FOR THE BOTH OF THEM
IT WASN'T LIKE THEY WERE DEEPLY IN LOVE
FIRST OF ALL, THE ENGAGEMENT WITH TRINA WAS FOR A CHILD


EH
HE HAS BEEN SAYING THAT IT WON'T WORK
EVEN IF HE WERE TO GET MARRIED TO HER.

WHY ARE YOU NOT AT WORK?
IT'S ALMOST LUNCH TIME
IT'S SPANISH TRADITION TO HAVE LUNCH AT HOME
What happened? A warm smile.
HEY
HERE YOU ARE.
I thought
he'd never smile at me like that again.
Why don't you just propose to her already?



But yet,

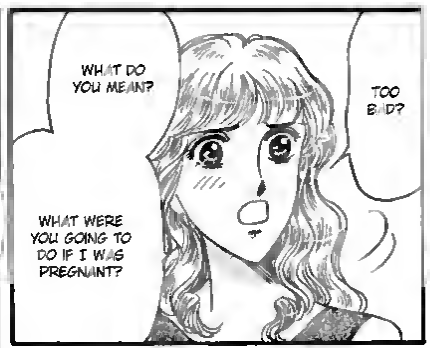
I want to believe that what I saw yesterday is some kind of mistake.

ROSIE
YOU KNOW WHAT.
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE PREGNANT OR NOT.
What...
PLEASE MARRY ME.

I'M NOT PREGNANT.
I FOUND OUT YESTERDAY,
ROSIE?

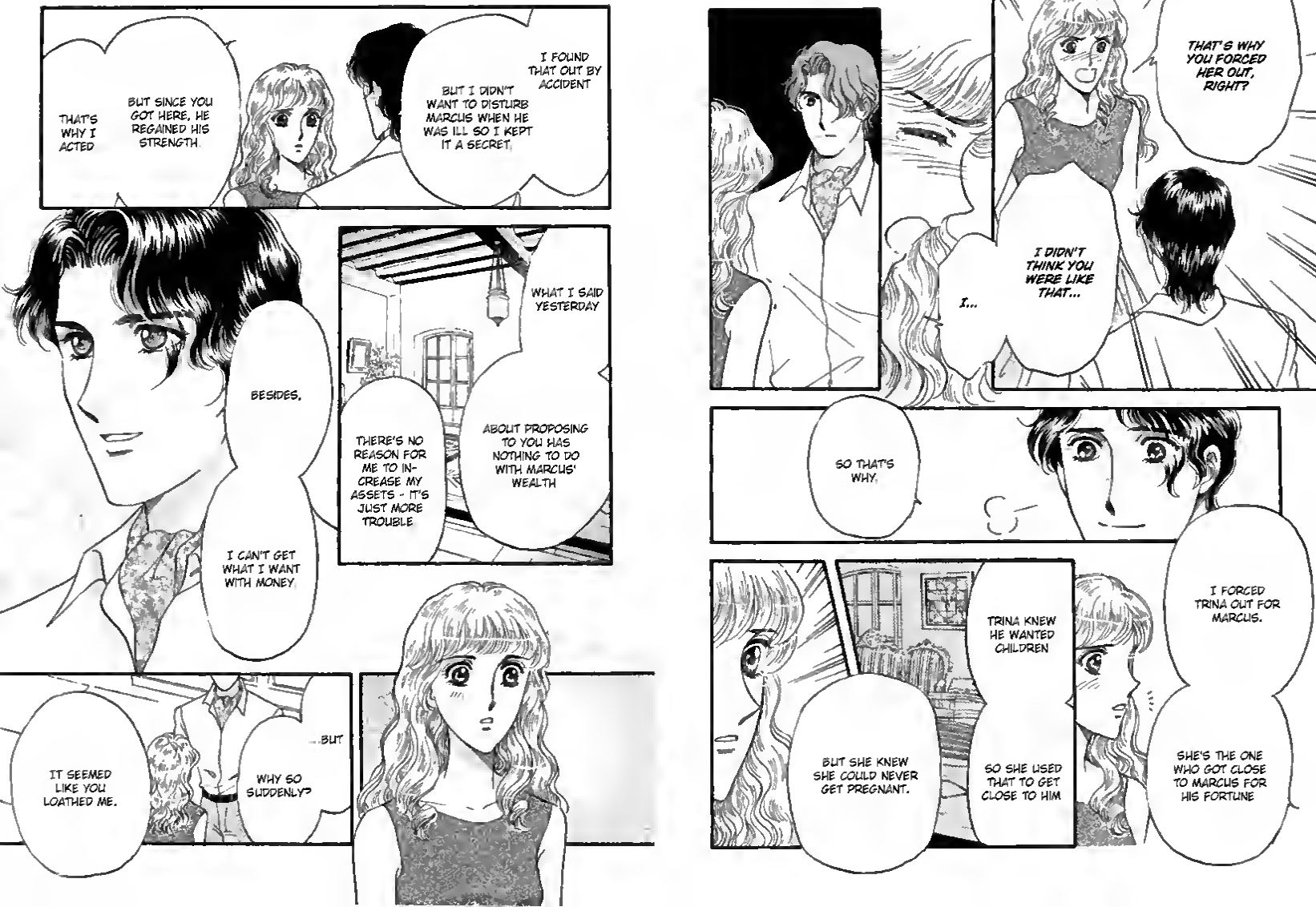
THAT'S TOO BAD.
OH...

OF COURSE, I WOULD HAVE ASKED FOR YOUR HAND IN MARRIAGE.


WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
TOO BAD?
WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO DO IF I WAS PREGNANT?

ROSIE
ROSIE
DON'T TOUCH ME!
I didn't think he was this type of person.
...STOP
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT?
YOU'RE DISGUSTING!
I wanted to trust him...
DON'T COME NEAR ME.
I NEVER WANT TO SEE YOUR FACE AGAIN!
FATHER...
WHAT HAPPENED?
YOU LOOK DOWN
UM, IT'S NOTHING...
MARCUS
ARE YOU OKAY?
ROSIE!

Close
PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHAT HAPPENS.
GOOD LUCK!
I COULDN'T BE ANY HAPPIER
ER...
THIS ISN'T FAIR.
I'M NEVER GETTING MARRIED TO YOU.
I'M NOT GOING TO FALL FOR SUCH A TACTIC!
ROSIE
I OVERHEARD YOU TALKING TO TRINA LAST NIGHT.
DON'T ACT LIKE YOU DON'T KNOW. AREN'T YOU AFTER MARCUS' WEALTH?
TACTIC?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHY ARE YOU SO SERIOUS?
I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU.
WELL, ACTUALLY...
I WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR YOUR DAUGHTER'S HAND IN MARRIAGE
WHAT?
OH, I SEE.
WHA


THAT'S WHY I ACTED
BUT SINCE YOU GOT HERE, HE REGAINED HIS STRENGTH
I FOUND THAT OUT BY ACCIDENT
BUT I DIDN'T WANT TO DISTURB MARCUS WHEN HE WAS ILL SO I KEPT IT A SECRET
BESIDES,
I CAN'T GET WHAT I WANT WITH MONEY
WHAT I SAID YESTERDAY
THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO INCREASE MY ASSETS - IT'S JUST MORE TROUBLE
ABOUT PROPOSING TO YOU HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MARCUS' WEALTH
IT SEEMED LIKE YOU LOATHED ME.
...BUT
WHY SO SUDDENLY?
THAT'S WHY YOU FORCED HER OUT, RIGHT?
I...
I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE LIKE THAT...
SO THAT'S WHY.
TRINA KNEW HE WANTED CHILDREN
BUT SHE KNEW SHE COULD NEVER GET PREGNANT.
SO SHE USED THAT TO GET CLOSE TO HIM
I FORCED TRINA OUT FOR MARCUS.
SHE'S THE ONE WHO GOT CLOSE TO MARCUS FOR HIS FORTUNE

LUCIA KNEW
ABOUT MARCUS AND MOLLY
SHE FORGAVE THEM
AND WISHED FOR THEIR HAPPINESS.
THIS...
SHE ENGRAVED IT SECRETLY...
LUCIA'S LUCKY CHARM DESIGN.
TO FORGET ABOUT EVERY-THING
AND BE CONSUMED BY A SINGLE PERSON.
I UNDERSTAND MARCUS' FEELINGS SO WELL.
ON TOP OF THAT,
IT'S FOR LUCIA
IF I TOO, ACCEPTED YOU,
I FELT LIKE I WAS BETRAYING LUCIA
THAT'S WHY I TOOK SUCH A COLD ATTITUDE TOWARD YOU.
BUT...
TAKE A LOOK AT THE BACK
THIS IS MOTHER'S...?
THERE'S A SMALL ENGRAVING
LOOK,
IT DOESN'T STAND OUT BUT,
EH?

YES.

Two months later...

ROSIE
I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU

SO PLEASE,
WILL YOU BECOME MY BRIDE?

It is a symbol of love between you and I.
I will raise it with love, just as my mother did.
That I bear a new life...
OH, HOW BEAUTIFUL
YOU LOOK LIKE AN ANGEL.
SEB WILL PROBABLY BE SURPRISED TOO.
EH?
NEVER-MIND. LET'S GO
I found out yesterday.
THERE'S ACTUALLY ONE MORE SURPRISE.
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